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AEA PRESIDENT GAIL DION presents Attorney Richard C. Morassi with the Fifth Annual "Friend of Education" Award. Advertiser News

photo by Jack Devine.

Morassi Named AEA's Annual Education Friend

by Iris Copson
School Dept. Editor

Local Attorney Richard C. Morassi was presented the Fifth Annual "Friend Of Education" award as teachers, administrators, family, and friends gathered at the Agawam Junior High auditorium last Tuesday morning.

Past recipients Richard Sardella, publisher of *The Agawam Advertiser/News*; Renee Picolli, past Phelps PTO President, and Susan Pettazzoni, of the townwide H.A.P.P.E. Committee and former Granger PTO president, also attended the assembly to honor Morassi and acknowledge their continued support to Agawam's educators.

AEA President Gail Dion focused on the Agawam High School (AHS) PTO when she commented that Morassi was a chief coordinator and organizer of that PTO last year. She added that he was deserving of the award because the well-being of any community was reflected at the high school.

Morassi said during his acceptance speech, "My former homeroom teacher (Mrs. Miriam Mackler) asked me to attend (an organizational meeting last year) and I couldn't say no."

SEE MORASSI - School Section

Emergency Session OKs Town Loan To Pay Bills

by Christine Piesyk
Advertiser News Staff

In a special emergency session held Monday night, Town Council voted 9-2 to authorize Town Treasurer Rudy Altobelli to borrow funds to cover what was said to be a \$1 million deficit in current and anticipated expenses, with the approval of Acting Town Manager Linda Mundo.

Council President Donald M. Rheault called for the emergency session to authorize the loan order, stating that the town's account at Bank of New England-West was overdrawn; that the cash shortfall was "temporary"; and that the short-term loan would be requested "in anticipation of tax revenue."

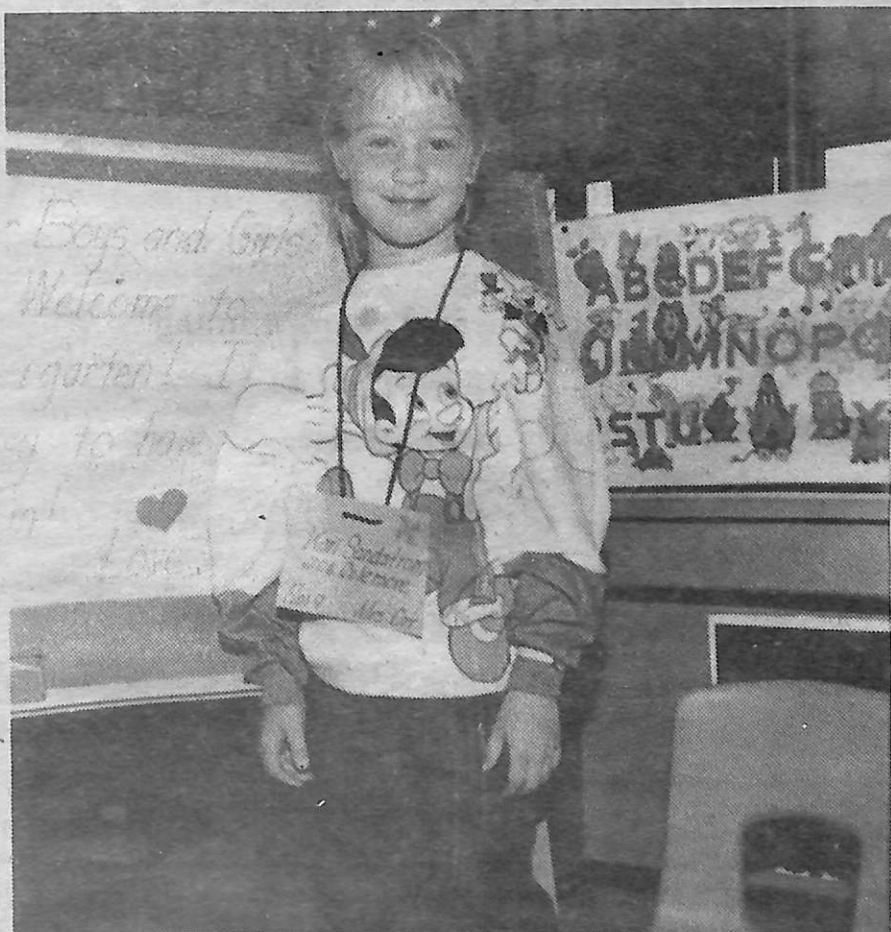
Councilor Frederick Nardi, in asking for a chronological update of how the crisis occurred, sharply criticized the treasurer's office, stating, "I don't know how anyone can distribute checks without knowing what the balance (in the account) is."

Nardi blamed the Treasurer's Office for the situation.

According to Altobelli, the town was overdrawn by \$170,000 on September 6th.

SEE PAY BILLS - Page 2...

First Day Of School Always Exciting



ROOM 9 student Kari Sandstrom of Robinson Park Elementary School wears her name-tag on the first day of school last Wednesday, September 7th. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



TERRA PELLETIER and PHIL MCCARTHY depart the school bus after arriving at Robinson Park School on the first day of school. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

PAY BILLS - From Page 1...

Altobelli said a call to Bank of New England-West by him guaranteed that all checks issued would be honored.

The crisis was disclosed last Tuesday (September 6th) when Altobelli said he discovered the \$170,000 overdraft on the town's cash control account.

Altobelli said the bank will assess the town \$54 a day on the overdrafts and it is estimated that about \$160 of service charges will clear-up this part of the issue.

Altobelli said he could not, in good conscience, allow payroll and vendor checks to bounce, and that he immediately contacted Acting Town Manager Linda Mundo about the problem last Wednesday.

"If I made a mistake, I did it out of compassion for the workers of this town and the vendors, who deserved to be paid for their services," said Altobelli.

Altobelli said several factors contributed to the cash crunch, not the least of which was a surge in payroll from \$250,000 to \$450,000 with Agawam Public School teachers back on the job.

Altobelli said the summer-long problem with getting the April tax bills out, compounded by the fact that suspended Town Manager Reid S. Charles ordered tax bills to be sent out to property owners despite knowing many errors were evident, substantially added to the cash flow crunch.

Data Processing Director Frederick Messier has also stated that he warned the town administration about forwarding the tax bills before errors in the bills could be cleared-up.

The result of this was long lines of angry taxpayers appearing at Town Hall, and much slower than normal tax payments coming in. The bills are due on September 26th.

The five-month delay in sending out the bills was also attributed to the delay by Patriot Properties in the townwide evaluation. However, the firm, in its con-

tract, said that estimated tax bills should be sent to property owners. Bills were due to be sent on April 1st.

Altobelli said at presstime that taxpayers are now "paying their bills and as of now we do not have a deficit and we can meet next week's payroll, and because of the loan, we can now also pay \$586,000 in vendors bills."

Another contributing factor to the overdrawn account, Altobelli said today, was that he instructed Assistant Town Treasurer Paula Burke to only mail-out the payroll checks, but when she was on vacation prior to Labor Day, \$200,000 in vendor checks arrived in the Treasurer's Office from the Town Accountant's Office to be paid.

Altobelli said these vendor checks were paid, and he was addressing the matter internally.

During the 50-minute session Monday night, Altobelli, Mrs. Burke, and Messier fielded questions about the cash crisis, and Councilor Paul Fieldstad was particularly blunt about the issue.

Fieldstad was upset why the council was not informed about the cash crisis at the Tuesday, September 6th council meeting, and that the situation was another in a long line of blunders in the entire tax collection procedures this year. "Someone should have known that this was going to happen, and why is the council the last to know," Fieldstad said.

Fieldstad has harshly criticized Charles for being responsible for the tax-collection woes, and the council used this as one of its 14 reasons to suspend Charles on September 6th.

Councilor Benjamin Lockhart said he could not understand why there was so much alarm over the cash crisis, noting that he had faith that the taxpayers of town would pay their bills to alleviate the cash difficulties at Town Hall.

Both Nardi and Lockhart voted against the loan order, while the remaining nine members supported it.

Common Questions Asked By Veterans

Q. I am a retired Army officer and have applied for disability compensation from the VA. Will my grade entitle me to increased compensation?

A. No. Military grade is not a factor in determining the amount of disability compensation benefits.

Q. My grandfather is a veteran who served honorably on active duty with the U.S. Army from September 1st, 1925 through September 10th, 1940. He has an adequate and regular income and wants to buy his own home after all these years. Can he qualify for a VA-guaranteed home loan?

A. No. A VA-guaranteed home loan is available only to veterans with sufficient qualifying service during any period on or after September 16th, 1940.

Q. For training by correspondence under the Montgomery GI Bill, how much will the participant be reimbursed?

A. Reimbursement is 55 percent of the approved established charges for the course.

Q. I believe I may be eligible for veterans benefits based on a recent determination by the Defense Department concerning Merchant Marine seamen. How do I go about getting my discharge certificate?

A. To be considered for a discharge certificate, you are asked to complete DD Form 2168, which is available from any VA Regional Office, and mail to Commandant (GMVP-1/12 MMVS), U.S. Coast Guard, Washington, D.C., 20953-0001.

Q. I am interested in purchasing a motor home. Can I use my VA home loan guaranty?

A. No. Motor homes are not included in the VA Loan Guaranty Program.

LEGAL NOTICE**TOWN OF AGAWAM
BOARD OF APPEALS**

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals will give a hearing at Administration Annex Building, Agawam, Wednesday, September 28, 1988 at 7:30 P.M. o'clock, to all parties interested in the appeal of PAUL AND MARLIES JENNEY who are seeking relief from Section 20, Paragraph 21 (c) of the Zoning Ordinance to allow the use of a residence as an office for two businesses to be located on the premises identified as 317 SOUTHWICK STREET.

By order of the Board of Appeals,
Ronald LaRiviere, Chairman

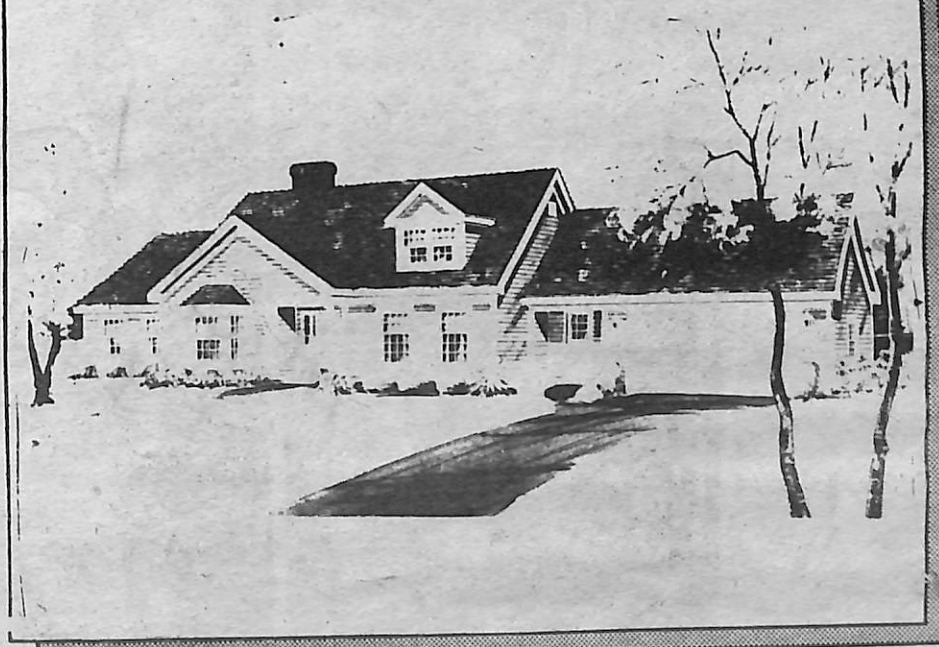
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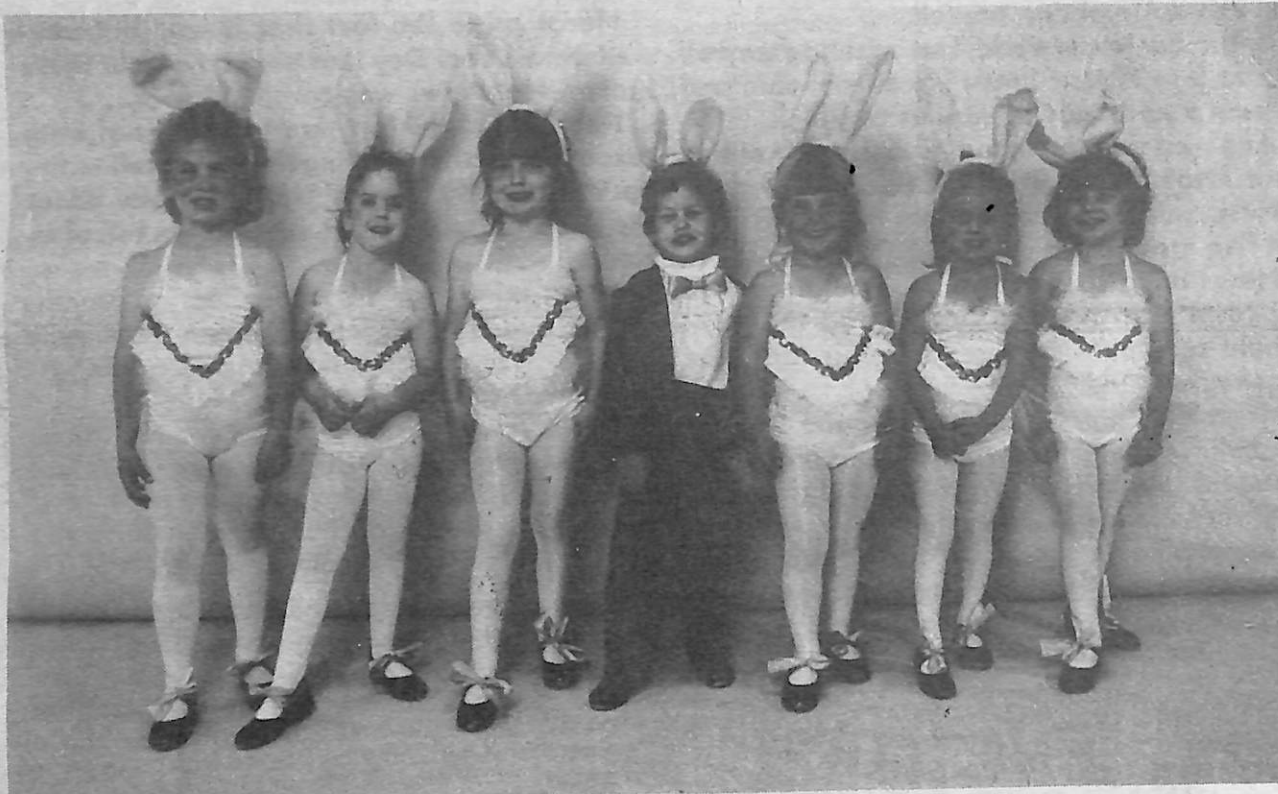
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Editorial

Treasurer's Phone Call Covered Town Employees' Hard-Earned Pay Checks

Added to the chaos that engulfed Town Hall over the past few weeks, it was discovered that the town was overdrawn at the bank about \$170,000 needed to pay its employees and vendors.

Because of the town's deeply rooted problems in collecting taxes, the running of a \$30 million business at Town Hall has been reduced to a "wing and a prayer" until things can be cleared-up. And this won't be an easy task.

When Town Treasurer Rudy Altobelli uncovered this deficit in the town's cash account, he immediately called the bank so the checks would be honored.

What Altobelli did was to insure that some 600 hardworking town employees and vendors who service the town would be paid, and to prevent a debacle of bounced employee and vendor checks not seen before in this town.

And now he's being lambasted for it.

The question of why the checks were sent out in the first place is secondary to the events leading-up to why Agawam came so close to not meeting payroll.

In the business world, not meeting payroll due to insufficient funds is catastrophic and reflects a company in serious trouble.

And who was the manager during all of this - not Altobelli but Reid S. Charles.

Never mind the fact that tax bills were sent-out five months late...

Never mind the fact that the contract with the town's revaluation firm stated the town should send-out estimated tax bills (on time, we should think)...

Never mind the fact that during the delay in tax billing, the town was losing valuable investment income for over five months...

Never mind the fact that in early July several banks (in good faith and on the town's request) did pay the town escrow property tax money in taxpayers' bank accounts without the issuance of tax bills...

Never mind the fact that one irate bank was pressuring the town to return \$540,000 in escrow property tax money because the town had failed to expedite the sending of tax bills (as it said it would in early July)...

Never mind the fact that some angry taxpayers had forced local banks to return their escrow property tax money to their individual banks accounts because the State Banking Commission said this could not be done without the issuance of tax bills...

Never mind the fact the Data Processing Director, Frederick Messier, wanted to keep the tax bills from going out so that he could correct many errors that were evident in the bills...

Never mind the fact that Messier was ordered to get the bills out, regardless...

Never mind the fact that when the tax bills were sent out, they were done so in a scrambling, all-night effort at Town Hall...

Never mind the fact that when these same tax bills were sent out on August 19th, two state laws were broken in issuing them (it's all on record at Town Hall)...

Never mind the fact that it was not until well after Labor Day that at least one of these broken state laws was complied with...

Never mind the fact that long lines of irate taxpayers were appearing at Town Hall to tie-up valuable employees' time to argue about the tax bills, which went-out to them full of errors...

Never mind that this tax collection process slowed funds going into the town treasury to a trickle, thereby causing a crisis situation on September 6th...

Never mind all this, and there are those defending the suspended Charles, and that the town's financial intra-structure is in good shape? How long can this go on before the town is in serious financial trouble?

And can anyone in good conscience argue that the hardworking taxpayers of this town and its employees don't deserve better?

Guest Editorial...

Councilors Nardi & Lockhart Should Put Town's Interests First

by Donald M. Rheault
Agawam Town Council President

I would like to be on the record as stating that Town Councilors Frederick Nardi and Benjamin Lockhart have proven their loyalty to suspended Town Manager Reid S. Charles - but the time has come for both of these elected officials to put personal friendships aside and start acting in the town's best interest.

It is difficult to make decisions and judgements about a person you are so close to, but the town's well-being must come first.

Councilor Nardi and Lockhart's actions on the council floor have been solely based to protect the manager and they have even risked putting the town in a position of facing legal action.

The record CLEARLY SHOWS that Councilor Lockhart sponsored a motion to ask the council NOT TO EVALUATE now-suspended Town Manager Charles and Councilor Nardi seconded the motion. They were joined by Councilor Jessie Fuller in voting of not evaluating Mr. Charles' performance as town manager.

Mr. Charles' contract clearly states that the council MUST evaluate him. By supporting Councilor Lockhart's motion, both Councilors Nardi and Fuller actually voted to violate Mr. Charles' contract. The rest of the council voted against this motion.

Mr. Charles and his private attorney were both present at the council meeting when this occurred, and in my opinion, would have given them (Charles, his attorney) the opportunity for a lawsuit against the town.

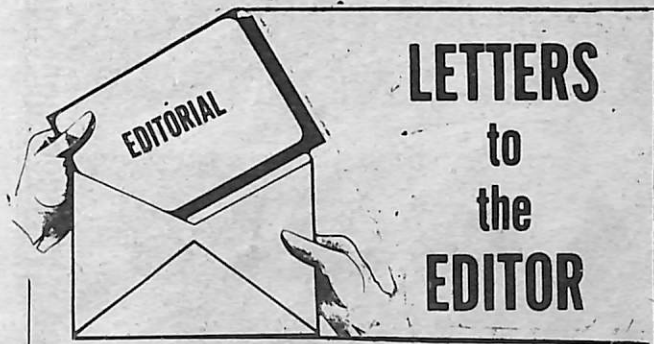
On the one hand, Councilors Nardi and Lockhart voice their concerns about the potential high cost to the town in legal expenses due to the issue of removing Mr. Charles from office, yet in the other vein they try to give the manager an easy opportunity to have grounds to file a lawsuit.

I firmly believe that Councilor Nardi and Lockhart's actions have not been well-received on the council floor or by those who attend the meetings.

If Councilors Nardi and Lockhart wish to defend Charles' record, that's fine. But let them start by offering evidence of his performance and quit threatening legal action with misinformation. Councilors Nardi and Lockhart are putting on a two-man show for the benefit of their own little audience, but the rest of the council doesn't appear amused.

Unfortunately, we have been left with a crisis situation and although the majority of the council is addressing these problems, Councilors Nardi and Lockhart remain removed.

Our readers are welcome to submit letters-to-the-editor or guest editorials. Our deadline is Tuesday at noontime, prior to publication. Call us at 786-7747 or 786-8137 to reserve space for a guest editorial. Please type them.



Sunstrom Family Says Thanks

To The Editor:

On behalf of Timothy Sunstrom's family and the committee, we would like to thank all the people who made the First Annual Tim Sunstrom Memorial Scholarship golf outing such a success, especially the Agawam Country Club where the tournament was held, the John Boyle O'Reilly Club, and Tom for the wonderful smorgasbord, and the committee who worked so hard.

A special thanks to all who donated prizes for the outing. Tim may be gone from us but many people help to keep his memory alive. For this we are very grateful.

Thank you.
Suzanne & Tim Herlihy
Bob, Leon, John, Joe, Bill & Jim

Congratulations To Public Library

To The Editor:

Congratulations to the Agawam Public Library staff and Editor Rose-Marie Slosek for the September-

October Library Newsletter. It is easy to read, full of "eye-catchers" and above all, packed with pertinent information.

It announces that the library once again has a full staff with the reinstatement of a Reference Librarian and the addition of a Technical Services Librarian. Each person is professionally trained and each has earned her master of library science degree.

Agawam is growing—it should not settle for less than professionally trained personnel in key positions.
Laura B. Dugan
Agawam



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Check Our Classifieds...

Meet Your Agawam Police...

Det. Richard Niles by Officer Wayne Macey Crime Prevention Bureau

The town's troubles began in November 1979 when Rick was first hired as a civilian dispatcher. He was assigned to the late night shift where he would be out of sight and less likely to upset people.

Apparently not having learned their lesson, the town then appointed him a full-time officer in June 1982 where he was once again placed out of sight and mind on the "dogwatch." While assigned to the Uniform Division, Rick had a tendency to wander, so from time to time he would be assigned to the Traffic Bureau where the other traffic officers would often tease him about his barnyard antics and appearance.

As if enough damage hadn't already been done, the powers-to-be appointed Rick to the Detective Bureau in October 1986.

Again, the thinking being was that if he was in plainclothes and working late night hours, the department would suffer less embarrassment.

After failing miserably at trying to be a detective, the department determined it was best to leave Rick where he was (since no one else would accept him and he lost all his uniforms in a poker game with three long-time members of the Salvation Army).

Rick claims that he graduated from Agawam High in 1976, but checking with the School Department, they have no record of him ever attending. He then claims to have attended Holyoke Community College where he received his associate's "sheepskin" in law enforcement.

Moving on down the road, Westfield State College was then graced with his presence and forced to give him his bachelor's degree in criminal justice. After attending the Springfield Police Academy in 1983, where he graduated "magna come lastly," he attended the following schools as a way of trying to enhance his position on the department—auto theft investigation, radar operation, Pr 24 basic training, suicide prevention, identikit systems, crime scene management, rape investigation, basic arson investigation, crime prevention officer's school, fingerprint classification, police photography, and lastly, a two-week D.A.R.E. officer training course offered this summer in West Springfield.

Now that I have thoroughly destroyed him as a



OFFICER RICHARD NILES

police officer and human being, I feel compelled to give the "rest of the story."

Rick resides in the North Agawam section of town with his wife, Sue, and their five-month-old son, Matthew. He has enjoyed much success both in uniform and as an investigator on the Detective Bureau.

He is the best the department has at getting back to the basics in police investigation—nothing fancy, just plenty of energy to do the legwork, and an attitude to get him and his fellow officers through some long days and nights.

His newest assignment will find him working with myself in the schools teaching the D.A.R.E. program at the Agawam Middle School and elementary levels. His talents will be well-spent and much appreciated.

Agawam Crime Prevention...

Home Security by Officer Wayne Macey Crime Prevention Bureau

Unfortunately, Agawam is continuing to experience housebreaks and larcenies at a rate far above the normal. The Police Department has made several arrests in relation to these breaks; however, more intrusions are being reported each day.

While we continue to monitor the situation and devote more time and effort toward the reduction of these breaks, it is imperative that homeowners pay attention to detail, and be security conscious of their own property as well as that of their neighbor.

Many people have called inquiring as to security systems, types, prices, etc. Although there are many different styles and price ranges available, we must first consider the basic, "common sense" approach to home security.

The number one way in which we can protect our homes and those of our friends is to keep constant watch and observe out of the ordinary activity. Being a residential community, houses are fairly close together and chances of someone in the area being home are good. Be alert and immediately report what you observe to the police. I can't stress this enough. There is simply no better way to protect property.

Next, we should concentrate on doors and windows in our homes. The only method of entry and egress will be through these openings. Deadbolt locks with hardened steel throws of at least an inch should be used on all doors.

Depending on the door and its configuration, a double or single key lock should be considered. Sliding glass doors can be better secured with the use of a wooden or metal bar placed in the vacant track. There should be little or no play in the top track so as to prevent doors from being lifted out.

The drilling and pinning of other windows in the house is another good way of preventing entry. Simply drill a hole through the two window sashes where they come together in the middle. Drill the hole at an angle and drop in a large spike or other appropriate pin. These are a few ways in which we can better secure our homes before even considering alarm systems. It is also important to remember that if someone wants inside bad enough, they will more than likely gain access. It is our responsibility and indeed our obligation, to make their job as difficult as possible.

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Police Blotter For Town Of Agawam Last Week

On September 5th, **Marcell Godbout**, 123 High Street, West Springfield, was arrested and charged with an outstanding Agawam Police Department warrant. Arresting officers were James Luccardi and Peter Bertera.

On September 5th, **Carmelo Delgado**, 19 Edward Street, Springfield, was arrested and charged with an outstanding Springfield Police Department warrant. Arresting officer was Detective Rick Niles.

On September 5th, **Ralph C. Pennington**, 108 Wilson Street, Chicopee, was arrested and charged with an outstanding Agawam Police Department warrant. Arresting officer was Donald Gallerani.

On September 6th, **John J. Sandlin**, 91 Granger Drive, Feeding Hills, was arrested and charged with being a disorderly person. Arresting officers were Walter Zymroz, Eric Camerlin, and Charlene Bushey.

On September 7th, **Frank L. Cervone**, 827 Main Street, West Springfield, was arrested and charged with driving under the influence of alcohol. Arresting officers were Sergeant Gary Nardi and Donald Gallerani.

On September 8th, **Ronald R. Bonnoyer**, 17 Highland Avenue, Agawam, was arrested and charged with murder. Arresting officers were Walter Letellier, James Lewis, and Steven Draghetto.

On September 8th, **Carol Britton**, 150 Northampton Avenue, Springfield, was arrested and charged with shoplifting. Arresting officers were Donald Gallerani and Michael Gruska.

On September 10th, **Robert H. McMullin**, 51 Edgewood Street, Agawam, was arrested and charged with an outstanding Springfield Police Department warrant. Arresting officer was Eric Lottermoser.

On September 10th, **David M. Lemay**, 88 Plantation Drive, Agawam, was arrested and charged with an outstanding Wellfleet Police Department warrant. Arresting officer was Walter Letellier.

On September 10th, **Michael Phelps**, 97 Maple Street, Agawam, was arrested and charged with a minor in possession of alcohol. Arresting officer was Michael Gruska.

On September 11th, **Holly Thompson**, 32 Shoemaker Lane, Agawam, was arrested and charged with operating after suspension. Arresting officer was Gary O'Brien.

FIRE-WISE

by Agawam Fire Chief Rusty Jenks

Beauty & The Beast In Your Home

Everyone wants to look nice. For some people, good grooming is as simple as keeping themselves clean and neat. For others it means a detailed regimen of cleanliness, cosmetics, and hair care appliances.

But the very things that help you look your best can cause serious burns and even serious fires. Your Agawam Fire Department wants you to have a beautiful day, but they also want you to be safe.

Hair dryers and styling appliances, such as heated curlers, styling combs, or curling irons can be safe if used properly. But like any electrical device, they can start fires if overheated or left unattended, and can cause serious electrical burns or fatal shocks if improperly used.

Because hair care equipment is often used in bathrooms near sinks and bathtubs, it is extremely important to be especially careful that the appliances do not come in contact with water. If one drops into water, **do not touch it** until you have shut off power at the circuit. Many new homes have special bathroom circuits that automatically trip the circuit breaker if this happens.

Even if the appliance was not in use or even plugged in when it was exposed to water, discard it and replace it. **Don't "let it dry out"** and use it again. **Never** dip curling irons or styling combs in water to dampen

hair.

Even when rushing to get ready before going out, avoid the temptation to let curling irons warm-up while you do something else in another room. These appliances overheat very easily, can slip into contact with flammable materials, and can be too easily forgotten.

Find a "memory jogger" trick that will help you remember to **always** unplug such appliances before leaving the house. You don't want to come home to find the fire department has already been there!

Don't set hair dryers down while they're running. Their vibrations can cause them to fall, leading to a fire. And don't let the air vents get blocked while the dryer is operating. These vents must bring cool air into the motor to prevent overheating that can start a fire.

If an appliance does not seem to be working properly, discard it. If you detect an electrical burning odor, replace the appliance. Never poke hairpins or wire into openings in the equipment.

Even children are concerned about their appearance, but should use electrical beauty appliances only with supervision and help. Be sure every member of your family knows the rules for safe use of hair care appliances.

Again, Agawam is a residential community and as such homes are fairly close together. Most would-be burglars will flee the area as the horn or siren alerts everyone within earshot that someone is about to break into your home. It is difficult to concentrate with an alarm blaring in your ears and many sets of eyes watching. Sensors and power supplies must also be considered, but these will depend on your living habits, weather conditions in the area, and what it is that you are attempting to protect.

CRIME PREVENTION - From Page 5...

Alarm companies are everywhere and fill three pages in the yellow section of your phone book. Systems available are almost as numerous and prices will vary according to need and size of the home. Emphasis must be placed on stopping the burglar before he gains access. This can best be accomplished through the use of an audible sounding device such as a siren or horn.

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Ag. Council On Aging Delays Food Handouts

The Agawam Council on Aging has received notification from the Massachusetts Bureau of Nutrition that commodities that should have been delivered and distributed in August, were not delivered due to "insect infestation."

Agawam recipients of the commodity foods which are distributed free of charge by the Council on Aging, were scheduled to get butter, flour, rice and cornmeal on August 25th. However, only butter was available from the Pioneer Valley Refrigerated warehouse. A notice from the state, dated August 31st, was received this week by the Council on Aging.

Neither recipients nor the Council on Aging received any prior notice of the loss of commodities.

PLEASE Remember that our deadline is every Tuesday at noontime. If we can be of help, please call us at 786-7747 or 786-8137. Our office opens every day at 6:30 a.m., Monday - Friday. Our office stays open on Tuesday until 7:00 p.m. We need at least 48 hours notice if you want a photo taken.

HEAT Program Rules For County Program

The following list briefly describes most energy measures eligible for HEAT financing. There may be additional details and standards depending on the project you have in mind. Your regional HEAT office is there to help. Call them whenever you have a question.

Written Proposals From Contractors Or Suppliers For All Measures Must Include:

- Contractor name and address
- Customer name and home address
- Address of property where work will be done
- Description of all work to be performed
- Specifications of all equipment or materials. Detail make, model, size, and energy ratings, as applicable
- Warranty information—Minimum one year material and labor
- Itemized costs and total cost
- Payment terms
- Dated signature by contractor or supplier

PLEASE REMEMBER—DO NOT SIGN A CONTRACT OR START WORK UNTIL YOU RECEIVE YOUR ENERGY SURVEY AND CONSULT YOUR HEAT OFFICE.

GENERAL HEAT LOSS

- Sealing air leaks by caulking, weatherstripping, and non-structural foundation patching.

INSULATION

- Insulation of ceiling, attic, walls, foundation, pipes, ducts, and water heaters. Minimum insulating R-values must be met.

SPACE HEATING SYSTEMS

- Repairs or Upgrades of Existing Systems, including flame retention burners, electronic ignition, vent dampers, modulating aquastats, zoning improvements to distribution system, and clock thermostats.

- Boiler or Furnace Installation with a minimum Annual Fuel Use Efficiency (AFUE) of 80 percent.

- Heat Distribution/Control/Venting Systems installation in connection with boiler or furnace replacement. Masonry chimney construction excluded. All accessible pipes and ducts must be sealed and insulated.

- Asbestos Material repair, enclosure or removal which is legally necessary to accomplish eligible heating system work must be performed, and is eligible

to be covered by the HEAT loan. Asbestos work is not eligible by itself.

- Wood Stove installation with a testing overall efficiency rating of 60 percent or higher. Must also meet specific particulate emission standards. Central wood or multi-fuel systems are also eligible.

- Electric Resistance Heat, Heat Pumps, and Replacement Central Air Conditioning can be eligible. Contact your local HEAT office for details.

HOT WATER HEATING SYSTEMS

- Instantaneous/Demand Type: gas or electric
- Tank Type Heaters replacing tankless coil or tank type systems are eligible if they meet minimum Energy Factor Ratings. Systems must also have heat traps and meet minimum insulation standards.

40 gallons or less	Oil/Gas/Propane	Electric
41-50 gallons	.57	.92
	.55	.91

Call your HEAT office for larger tank sizes.

- Other Types: Indirect fired (boiler connected tank), solar, heat pump, or wood. Call your HEAT office for details.

WINDOWS

- Existing Window Components: repair or replacement to reduce air leakage (e.g.: ropes and weights, parting beads, sashes).

- Exterior Storms: repair or installation where no repairable unit exists.

- Interior Window Devices such as interior storms and some types of thermal shades.

- Primary Windows: replacement of single pane windows by multi-pane windows with an R-value of 2.5 or higher. This standard is most often met by double-pane windows with "low-e" coating, or by triple pane windows. Because there are other HEAT specifications for replacement windows, and because window choices can be confusing, you should contact your HEAT office for details.

EXTERIOR DOORS

- Repair of doors to reduce air leakage.

- Storm Doors where no repairable unit exists.

- Replacement Doors with an insulating R-value of 7 or more. Metal doors must have a thermal break frame.

- Replacement Sliding Glass Doors have special standards. Contact your local HEAT office for details.

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Municipal Events

GRAND NATIONAL AUTO

Thursday, September 15th
Agawam Planning Board
Agawam Public Library
7:15 P.M.

Monday, September 19th
Town Council Meeting
Public Library
8:00 P.M.

Wednesday, September 21st
Board of Appeals
Administration Annex
7:30 P.M.

Tuesday, September 27th
School Committee Meeting
Junior High School Cafeteria
7:00 P.M.

Monday, October 3rd
Town Council Meeting
Public Library
8:00 P.M.

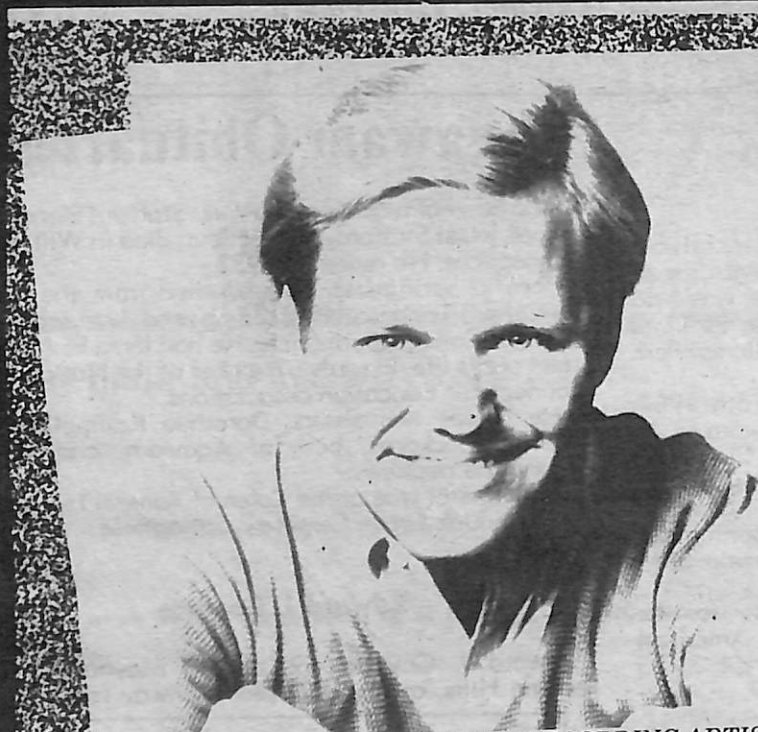
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Although not very well-known here (yet), he is well-known in Europe and other parts of the world. In fact, he was the first Christian artist to perform in Communist China in 40 years! Join us October 1st to discover this wonderful young man for yourselves!

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Groundbreaking Held For New Vets Memorial

A groundbreaking ceremony was held on Friday, September 9th, as preliminary work begins on the construction of a memorial honoring all Agawam veterans. Chairman of the Memorial Bell Committee Andrew C. Gallano, and committee members are planning a Dedication Ceremony on or near Veterans' Day.

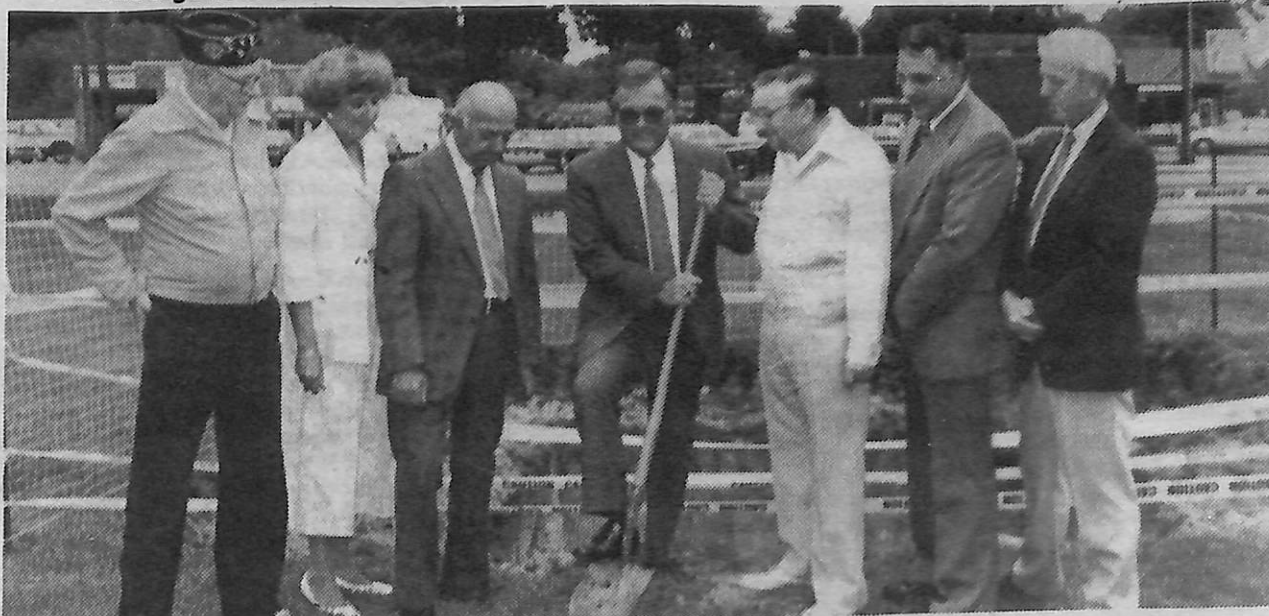
The 15-foot high memorial will be located on the green of Phelps School facing Main Street. The octagonal shaped structure was designed by architect Thurston Munson. Munson's plan includes using the old Danahy School bell housed in a replica of the original cupola design. The tri-level memorial plans provide for the installation of a ramp for the accessibility of the handicapped.

Included in the design will be bronze plaques with the names of Agawam Veterans killed or missing in action or expired of a service-connected disability during a war time period. Veteran Agent Ruth Bitzas explains that, "as a result of the published casualty list last year, four additional names have been verified and were added to the list. To date we have a total of 38 verified names and are requesting town residents to check the list below and if anyone has an additional name that meets the following criteria, please contact my office at Town Hall Annex, 786-0400, extension 236. We would like very much to have a complete list so that every Agawam Veteran who died in service of our country will be remembered and honored by having his or her name included on the memorial."

The committee has set up the following guidelines:

1. Veteran must have an Agawam address listed as "home of record" on statement of service at time of entry into military.
2. Veterans listed on the memorial will be those killed in action, missing in action or expired of a service-connected disability during active war time service.
3. Veteran must have served during war time periods as established by the V.A. and Chapter 115 of Massachusetts General Laws.
4. If residents have an additional name which they feel should be included, they must submit a statement of service with verification of the criteria listed above to the Memorial Bell Committee, through the Veterans Service Department, Town Hall.

Members of the Memorial Bell Committee in addition to Chairman Andrew Gallano are Walter Kerr, Mario DeLucchi, Sam Provo, Fred Nardi, and Veteran Agent Ruth Bitzas.



PICTURED AT LAST FRIDAY'S groundbreaking ceremony for the Veteran's Memorial on the Phelps School green are, from left - Donald Catchepaugh, commander of VFW; Ruth Bitzas, Veteran's Agent; Sam Provo, Memorial Committee member; Donald M. Rheault, Town Council president; Andrew C. Gallano, Memorial Committee member; James V. Bruno, Jr., superintendent of schools; and William Miller, Phelps School principal. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

WORLD WAR I

Ashe, Anthony D.
Finn, John F.
St. Dennis, Henry
Thompson, Francis
Wilson, Edward B.

Magiera, Julian	Army
Manchester, Harold E.	Army
Miller, Robert H.	Navy
Roberts, Howard E.	Army
Routson, Robert	Army
St. Jean, Maurice	Army
Sullivan, Hugh E.	Navy
Whitaker, Charles W.	Army
Woishnis, Joseph P.	Army

WORLD WAR II

Andruss, Clarence J.
Bessette, Roland E.
Biergel, William A.
Brady, Joseph J.
Brusseau, Philip H.
Burrill, Arthur R.
Cote, George N.
Coughlin, Edward
Davis, Albert H.
Durkan, Raymond M.
Goss, Frank M.
Hackett, Charles A.
Letellier, Lawrence J.
Luccardi, Frank I.

USMC	Exford, Dorr W., Jr.	USAF
Army	Hobbs, Clement B.	USMC
Army	Pohner, William	USAF
Army	Provost, Robert	Army
Navy		
USMC	Borowiec, Edward	Navy
Army	Connelly, Edward W.	USMC
Army	D'Amato, Paul J., Jr.	Army
Army	Gallerani, Lawrence	Navy
Army	Gaunt, George S.	Navy
USMC	McCollum, James P.	USAF
Army	Moynehan, John J.	Army

KOREAN

VIETNAM

Agawam Obituaries

Jean M. Thibault

A private funeral for Jean M. Thibault, 18 month-old son of Heidi (Sherman) Thibault of 71 High Street, Agawam, and Claude Thibault of Chicopee, was held at St. Pierre Funeral Home and in St. Rose de Lima Church, both in Chicopee. Burial was in Hillcrest Park Cemetery, Springfield.

The infant was born in Springfield, March 6th, 1987, and died Thursday, September 8th, in Agawam.

Besides his parents, he leaves a brother, Claude M. Thibault, Jr., at home; his paternal grandparents, Paul & Francine (Nolette) Thibault of Chicopee; his maternal grandmother, Thalia Sherman of West Springfield, and his maternal great-grandmother, Carmela Sherman of Hartford.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Children's and Youth Foundation of the American Legion Auxiliary, Hampden County Council 3, 53 Quaboag Street, RFD 2, Palmer, MA, 01069.

Andrew Torino

Andrew Torino, 63, of 397 Southwick Street, Feeding Hills, retired owner of Torino's Bicycle Center and the "X" Bicycle Shop in Springfield, died in Baystate Medical Center, Springfield. He previously worked at the former Van Norman Manufacturing Company, and as a self-employed tile setter. He retired in 1977.

Born in Springfield, he had lived there until moving to Agawam 22 years ago.

He was an Army Air Forces veteran of World War II and participated in the invasion of Luzon in the Philippines. He received several citations, including the Philippine Liberation Ribbon, Asiatic-Pacific Theater Campaign Ribbon and the Victory Medal. He was a communicant of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church, Springfield.

He leaves his wife, the former Patricia L. Taupier; two sons, Andrew J. and Anthony B., both of Feeding Hills; two brothers, Pasquale and Anthony, both of Agawam, and a sister, Jenny Cellilli of Springfield.

The funeral was at Forastiere Funeral Home, Springfield, and in the church with burial in St. Michael's Cemetery, Springfield.

Louis N. Prempas

Louis N. Prempas, 60, of 272 Shoemaker Lane, a

retired 30-year teacher at the West Stafford Elementary School, West Stafford, Connecticut, died in Willington, Connecticut. He retired in 1982.

Born in Springfield, he graduated from the former Springfield Technical High School and American International College, Springfield. He had lived in Agawam most of his life. He was a member of the National and Connecticut Education associations.

He leaves two sisters, Dorothea Kallipolites and Artemis Cockoros, both of Agawam, and several nieces and nephews.

The funeral was at the Colonial Funeral Home with burial in Oak Grove Cemetery, Springfield.

Edward J. Goyette

Edward J. Goyette, 69, of 115 Maynard Street, Feeding Hills, a retired 26-year highway foreman for

the Town of Agawam, died in Baystate Medical Center. He retired in 1979.

A lifelong resident of Agawam, he was an Army veteran of World War II and received a Purple Heart. He was a communicant of St. Theresa's church and a member of the Mawaga Club.

He leaves his wife, the former Alice Francis; a daughter, Rosemarie Jenkins of San Angelo, Texas; three brothers, Clovis of Southwick, Alfred and Donald, both of Feeding Hills; four sisters, Dorothy Haffler of Agawam, Theresa DeGrandpre of Indian Orchard, Rita Noonan of Springfield, and Evelyn Narcovich of Warwick, Rhode Island, and a granddaughter. His son, Melvin Goyette, died in 1986.

The funeral was at the Agawam Curran-Jones Funeral Home and in the church with burial in Springfield Street Cemetery, Feeding Hills. Memorial contributions may be made to the Ambulance Fund, in care of the Agawam Fire Department.

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State Treasurer Crane's Unclaimed Money List

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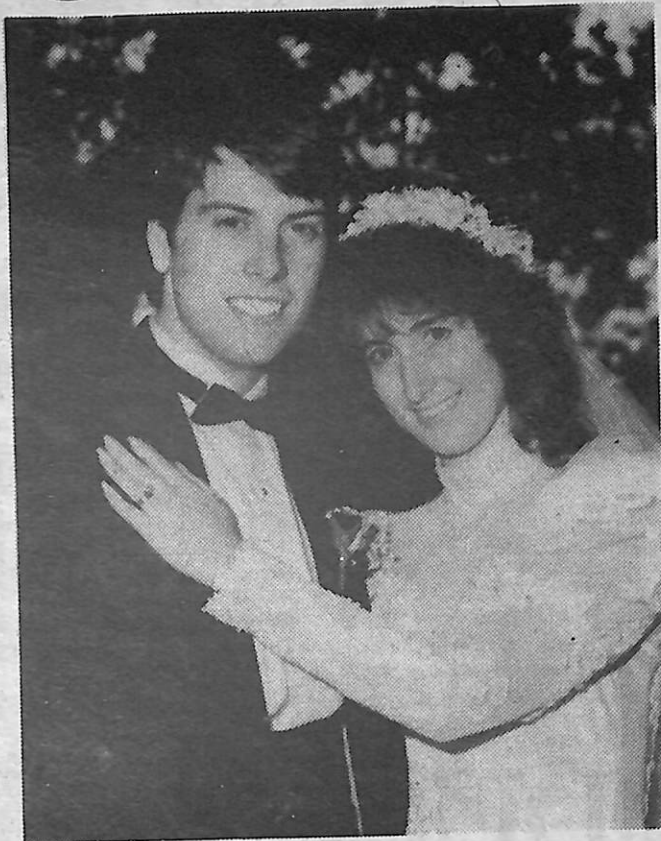
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Agawam High Class Of '73 Plans Reunion For Nov. 18th

Attention members of the Agawam High School Class of 1973. Our 15th class reunion has been planned for November 18th at Storowton Carriage House.

Please call Ellen (Beauchane) Janik, 786-6826, or Peggy (Gacona) Cardaropoli, 786-5247. We are looking forward to hearing from you as soon as possible.

Kathleen A. Dillon Weds Scott A. Bousquet Of Agawam

Miss Kathleen Ann Dillon, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Francis Dillon of 35 Warham Street, Windsor, Connecticut was married to Scott A. Bousquet, son of Mr. & Mrs. Donald Bousquet of 62 South Park Terrace, Agawam.

The ceremony took place on June 18th at Saint Gabriel's Church, Windsor, with a reception following at the Knights of Columbus, Windsor.

Tracy Dillon attended her sister as maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Cindy Dillon, sister of the bride, and Tammy Shay, sister of the groom.

Best man was Robert Chase, longtime friend of the groom. Todd Bousquet, brother of the groom, and John Shay, brother-in-law of the groom, served as ushers.

The bride graduated from Windsor High School. She is a graduate cum laude of Pair School of the Arts, Hampden, Connecticut, majoring in graphic design, class of 1988.

The groom graduated from Agawam High School, class of 1983. He graduated from Porter and Chester Institute, Windsor. He is employed by General Plasma Associates, Windsor.

The couple enjoyed a honeymoon in Florida and are residing in Windsor, Connecticut.

Agawam Baptist Church Sets Harvest Smorgasbord Oct. 1st

The United Women's Fellowship of Agawam Baptist Church, 760 Main Street, Agawam, will hold a Harvest Smorgasbord, Saturday, October 1st.

There will be two sittings at 4:45 and 6:15 p.m.

The menu includes fruit cup, home-baked beans, baked ham, turkey, Swedish meatballs, deviled eggs, American chop suey, Harvard beets, green bean casserole, sauerkraut, scalloped potatoes, cranberry salad, cabbage salad, relish tray, assorted homemade pies, rolls, coffee, tea, or milk.

Adults are \$6.50 with children under 10, \$2.50. It is open to the public.

For reservations, call 786-8624, 786-0337, or 786-8609.

Cadet Christine Kosinski At Army ROTC Camp In N.C.

Cadet Christine M. Kosinski, daughter of Richard J. & Carol A. Kosinski of 40 Cherry Street, Feeding Hills, received practical work in military leadership at the U.S. Army ROTC advanced camp, Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

The six-week camp, attended by cadets normally between their third and fourth year of college, includes instruction in communications, management, and survival training.

Successful completion of the advanced camp and graduation from college results in a commission as a second lieutenant in either the U.S. Army, Army Reserve, or National Guard for the cadet.

Ms. Kosinski is a student at Russell Sage College, Troy, New York.

Agawam Women's Club Slates Covered Dish Supper

The Agawam Women's Club will open the 1988-1989 club year with the traditional covered dish supper at 6:30 p.m., at the Captain Charles Leonard House, Monday, September 26th.

A talent auction will follow the business meeting and each member is asked to bring a handmade craft item or baked item to be sold.

The following officers were elected at the Annual Meeting in April to serve this year: President, Evelyn Mogue; First Vice President, Doris Maule; Second Vice President, Dorothy Martin; Recording Secretary, Jeanne Webster; Corresponding Secretary, Jean Goss; Treasurer, Pauline Woodruff; Assistant Treasurer, Bernice Nowill; and Directors Betty Pond, in charge of hospitality; Nancy Smith, devotions; and Louise Wallace, publicity.

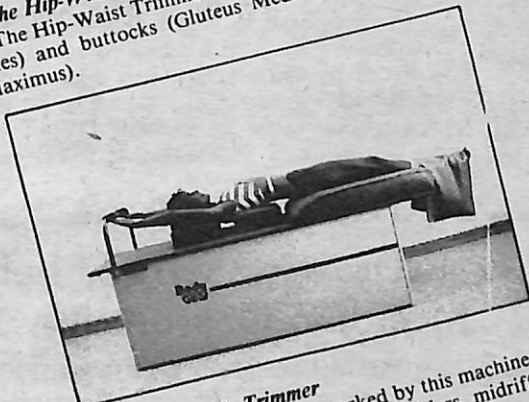
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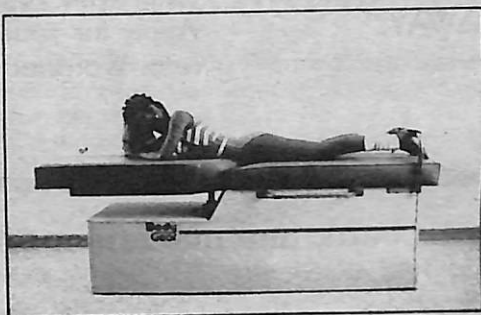
1 The Hip-Waist Trimmer
The Hip-Waist Trimmer works on the waist (Obliques) and buttocks (Gluteus Medius and Gluteus Maximus).



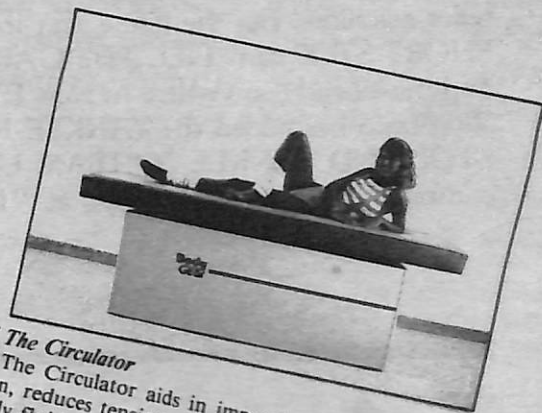
2 The Upper Body Trimmer
The entire upper body is worked by this machine, including the arms, upper back, shoulders, midriff, and abdomen.



3 The Stomach-Hip Trimmer
This machine exercises the buttocks (Gluteus Medius, Extensor Digitorum, and Gluteus Maximus) and the entire abdomen area (Latissimus Dorsi).



7 The Side-Stretch Table
The Side-Stretch Table reduces the entire waistline, concentrating on the Oblique muscle group.



4 The Circulator
The Circulator aids in improving blood circulation, reduces tension and helps to flush out excess body fluids and toxins to rid the body of problem cellulite.



5 The Stomach Trimmer
The Stomach Trimmer works to tone the abdominal muscles (Latissimus Dorsi, Obliques, Linea Alba), reducing inches in the waist and increasing overall flexibility.



6 The Thigh-Calf Trimmer
This machine works to trim and tone the entire leg, front and back. (Lateralis, Adductors, Sartorius, Rectus Femoris, Hamstrings & Calf Area).

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Community Grange Opens New Club Season



GRANGE MEMBER PAULINE PROVOST is pictured with Installing Officer Alicia Brazie at last Tuesday's first Community Grange meeting of the new club year. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



GRANGE MEMBERS, from left - Elsie Johnson, Roberta Cesan, Joan Comee, and Florence Blish will once again play important roles in the success of the Community Grange. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



GRANGE officers include Pauline Provost, Alex Sosnowich, Elise Bradway, and Evelyn Cordie. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Reasonably Price Birdseed Offered At Laughing Brook

Massachusetts Audubon's Laughing Brook Education Center and Wildlife Sanctuary is once again offering a sale of high quality, reasonably priced birdseed, just in time for winter bird feeding and gift giving. Birdseed orders will be taken at Laughing Brook through October 7th for pick-up on Saturday, November 5th.

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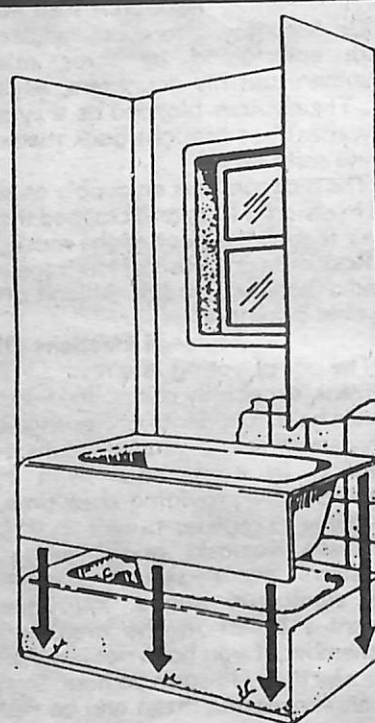
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Heritage Hall Campus News & Activities

RESIDENT OF THE WEEK!

Dorothy King

Dorothy King was born in 1907 and raised in Springfield. She attended the Springfield Public School system and upon graduation obtained employment with the Albert Steiger Company as a clerk in the hosiery department. She retired after 47 years of employment.

Dorothy married the late Harry King of Springfield. They continued to reside in Springfield as he was owner and operator of the White Rose Laundry. In her spare time, she enjoyed hobbies of painting, knitting, and crocheting.

Dorothy was an active member in the Sacred Heart Women's Club, St. Joseph's Women's Club and the Catholic Women's Club of Agawam.

Dorothy continues to lead an active life at Heritage Hall participating in a variety of functions. She enjoys sitting outside in the nice weather, socializing and assisting fellow residents if she can. Dorothy is a warm and friendly individual who always has a great smile for everyone.

Congratulations Dorothy on being "Resident of the Week." Heritage Hall is pleased to have you as a member of its family.



DOROTHY KING
Resident of the Week

Rainbow Of Colors!

Well-groomed nails always put a finishing touch to a neat appearance. After nails are cleaned and shaped by the nursing staff, residents gather for polish and socialization. An array of color is available for everyone to choose from. Small groups are formed and the color of their choice is applied. If residents are unable to apply the polish, they are assisted by Activity Staff.

The program is fun as well as beneficial in nail hygiene. All hands on parade, who is next?

Memories And Music

On Saturday afternoon, residents of Heritage Hall were entertained by three talented singers, Jim Monihan and his daughters, Alison, 9, and Jennifer, 11. Their voices blended as they sang some old favorites that brought back memories of the past for some residents.

The program was enjoyable as several residents joined in a sing-a-long and clapped their hands and tapped their feet to the beat of the music.

Residents and staff of Heritage Hall would like to extend a thank-you to Jim, Allison, and Jennifer for an enjoyable afternoon.

National Elections Of 1988

The act of voting is a revered right to all American citizens, especially during the year a Presidential Election is held. Residents of Heritage Hall are fortunate to have several civic-minded volunteers in the community working in conjunction with the Town Hall of Agawam. By providing their time, they are enabling residents to register to vote in this year's election.

Tressa Kozloski and Menette Kermes, assistant registrars, recently spent the day at Heritage Hall campus signing-up voters. All voters will receive an absentee ballot in the mail to fill in and return. Remember, if you have not registered, now is the time. The election will soon be here. Stand up for your rights as an American citizen and be heard.

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Christ Lutheran Church Plans Annual Fall Crafts Fair

Christ Lutheran Church in Southwick is hosting its Annual Fall Crafts Fair, Saturday, September 24th, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The fair will take place on the grounds of the church located at 568 College Highway with a rain date of October 1st.

Many exhibitors have signed up to display a vast array of unique crafts and artwork. Fairgoers will see such crafts as stenciling, tin punching, woodworking, dried and silk flower arranging, slate painting, stained glass, ceramics, holiday decorations, and much more.

The women of the church will be busily selling hot coffee, donuts and muffins in the morning, and hot dogs, hamburgers, galumkies and drinks all afternoon.

Stop by for lunch and visit the bake table before you leave and take home a hot apple pie.

There's still time to register by contacting Jane Butova, 562-5214, or Marlene Harlin, 789-1443.

Women's Shoe Sale At Bay Path

The Springfield Chapter of the Bay Path Junior College Alumni Association will hold its annual Shoe Sale on Monday, September 26, at 7:15 p.m., in Blake Student Center dining room on the Longmeadow campus. The event, which benefits the Chapter's scholarship fund, is open to the public and features women's footwear at \$12 per pair. For more information please call Bay Path's Alumni office.

Polish Club Women's Auxiliary Schedules Tag Sale

The Women's Auxiliary of the Polish American Club of Agawam is sponsoring a Tag Sale to raise money for their scholarship fund.

The sale will be held Saturday, September 24th, and Sunday, September 25th, from 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., at the Polish American Club Grounds, 139 Southwick Street, Feeding Hills. Space rental is \$15.

Please make checks payable to the P.A.C. Women's Auxiliary. To reserve space, please contact 789-2451, 786-7454, or 786-9798.

Agawam Group Receives Funds From Bishop Maguire

The Most Rev. Joseph F. Maguire will hold a press conference on September 19th, at 10:00 a.m., at St. Michael's Cathedral, Springfield, for the purpose of awarding Campaign for Human Development (CHD) seed money grants to one national and five local groups in Western Massachusetts.

The national CHD award of \$25,000 will be presented, at this time, to the Alliance for Mentally Ill Citizens of Western Massachusetts, headquartered in Agawam. This group aims to speed accreditation for all seven state mental hospitals, resolve the issues pertaining to the consent decree, advocate for housing and jobs for persons with mental illnesses, and produce a film to train monitors for state hospitals in other states.

Western Massachusetts CHD awards totaling \$24,500 will be presented to the following five groups: Arise, \$6,000, for an affordable rental housing project; Senior Action Council, Western Mass. Chapter, \$5,000, for a project of negotiations between Bay State Medical and elderly of Springfield-Chicopee-Holyoke; Florence Heights Tenant Action, \$5,000, for a tenant organizing project; Franklin Housing Alliance, \$500, for a rent review project; Children's Health Program of Gratiot Barrington, \$3,500, for a welfare rights project.

The CHD has been in existence since 1970. This program alone of the Catholic Diocese of Springfield has raised over \$1,600,000 in the past 18 years. One-fourth of that money has directly benefitted over 50 projects in Western Massachusetts. Three-fourths of that sum has gone to the National CHD level for regional human development projects. Nationally, over \$120,000,000 has been awarded by the CHD to social and economic projects, since 1970. Funds go to the disadvantaged who community organize around a social or economic problem.

Sr. Regina Burrichter, RSM, director of the CHD office, remarked, "These are times when the eyes and ears of concerned citizens in the U.S. are focused on a just economy. I believe that in order to have a strong, stable economy, there needs to be a commitment in public and private sectors to change those oppressive economic structures which destroy justice and life. This Church anti-poverty program, through its seed grants to economic and human rights projects, is a positive statement on the Church's timely and effective involvement in the human affairs of needy people, too often forgotten in our country's blueprints for progress."

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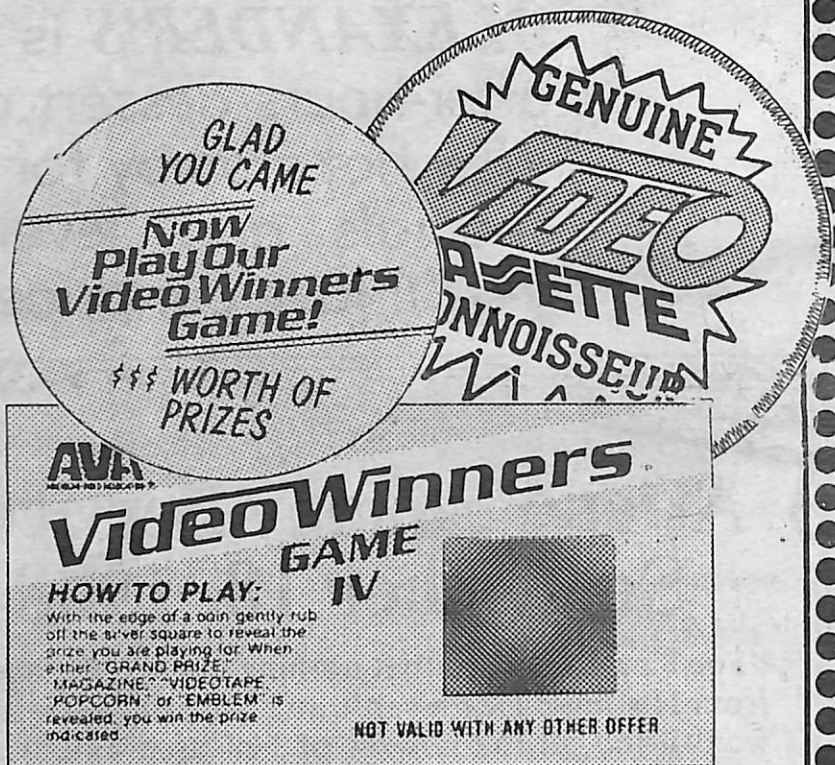
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3 Tablespoons margarine or butter

The chicken breasts open naturally and will flatten easily. Tenderize chicken breast or cutlets with Adolph's according to directions. Sprinkle with garlic powder. Refrigerate half day or four hours. Coat chicken with flour, then egg mixed with water. Fry in margarine or butter until golden brown. Place in covered casserole (or baking dish with foil). Bake at 300°F for 30 minutes. When almost done, make sauce.

Add to frying pan used for chicken:

¼ teaspoon garlic powder
½ cup sauterne wine (or dry sherry)
½ lemon squeezed

2 chicken bouillon cubes dissolved in 1½ cups water
Pepper

Flour to thicken (optional)

Stir and heat, scrape pan to loosen any coating from chicken. Strain if desired. After chicken is baked, transfer to warm platter, pour on sauce and sprinkle with fresh chopped parsley. Serves 6.

Picnic Bean & Sausage Loaf

1 pound pork sausage
2 cans (1 pound each) pork and beans in tomato sauce, mashed
2 cups prepared herb-seasoned stuffing mix
2 eggs, beaten
½ cup chopped onion
1 tablespoon prepared mustard
½ teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon basil
½ teaspoon thyme
½ cup catsup

Cook sausage until well done; crumble and drain. In large bowl, combine sausage with remaining ingredients, mixing well. Spoon into 9"x5" loaf pan; smooth the top. Bake 350°F about 1¼ hours. Let stand for 5 minutes before slicing. Serve hot or cold with tomato sauce, chili sauce, or mustard.
Makes about 8 servings.

Wholesome Graham Crackers

1 cup graham or whole wheat flour
1 cup unbleached flour
½ teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon baking powder
¼ cup margarine
½ cup honey
¼ cup milk

Combine flours, salt, baking powder. Cut in butter or margarine until consistency of cornmeal. Stir in honey. Add milk to make a stiff dough. Roll out on floured surface to ¼ inch thickness. Cut into squares. Prick with a fork. Brush with milk. Bake at 400° on ungreased baking sheet for 18 minutes or until golden brown. If rolled thicker, these crackers can be used as teething biscuits.

Yield: 18-24 crackers.

Encore Rice Salad

Rice salad is good anytime. It is a terrific way to clean out the refrigerator. Rice salad travels well and will become a real favorite of all you non-sandwich people. Carry a small can of chicken, turkey, or tuna, to add at serving time if you wish.

Mix together:

1 cup left-over rice pilaf or herb flavored wild rice mix
1 6 ounce jar marinated artichoke hearts
½ cup ripe olives
1 cup chick peas-drained
6-8 cherry tomatoes halved or one tomato, diced
2 tablespoons minced sweet green pepper
1 tablespoon lemon juice

Optional Additions:

½ cup sliced fresh mushrooms
2 scallions, chopped, including tops
½ cup cubed cheese
½ cup cooked green beans
1 cup diced leftover ham, or beef or about
1 cup tuna, turkey, or chicken

Add additional herbs. Toss together and chill. Yield: 4-6 servings.

Cream Cheese Kolacky

These simple pastries are destined to become lunch or coffee-break favorites. (Plan on extra for co-workers).

1 cup flour
¼ pound butter (½ cup)
1 (3 ounce) package cream cheese
Any filling you like

Mix all together and chill for at least an hour. Roll out on floured board 1/8-1/4 inch thick. Cut into 4-inch squares. Fill with 1 tablespoon of filling; bring four corners together and pinch to seal. Place on ungreased baking sheet. Bake at 350° for about 15 minutes.

Filling suggestions: Apricot, cherry, strawberry preserves; prune or poppy seed filling.
Yield: 16 pastries.

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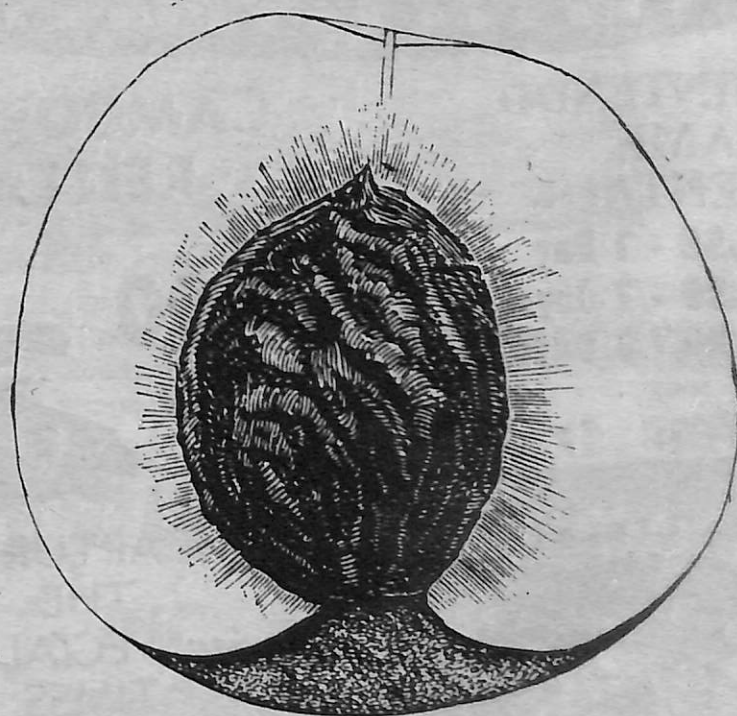
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Michelle Marie Duclos Weds John M. Shanahan Of N.H.

Miss Michelle Marie Duclos of Manchester, New Hampshire, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Charles J. Duclos of 260 Walnut Street, Agawam, became the bride of John Michael Shanahan, also of Manchester, New Hampshire, on Saturday, September 10th, at 10:30 a.m., at St. Anthony of Padua Church, Agawam.

The groom is the son of Mr. & Mrs. John W. Shanahan of 11 Montague Street, Turners Falls.

The ceremony was performed by Reverend Richard Meehan of St. Michael's Cathedral, Springfield. Anna Giza was vocalist.

The bride was attended by Deanne Duclos, sister of the bride. Bridesmaids were Katherine Murphy, sister of the groom; Adrienne Hanley, cousin of the bride; Lisa Herd, and Lynda Yacavone. Flower Girl was Erin Murphy, niece of the groom.

Best man was Timothy Shanahan, brother of the groom. Ushers included Christopher Shanahan, brother of the groom; Timothy Hartnett, Robert Viens, and James Boguslawski. Ringbearer was Nolan DeCoster.

The reception was held at The Oaks, Agawam, with Skylark providing music.

The bride is a graduate of Agawam High School, attended Holyoke Community College, and is a secretary for Green Mountain Investments in Bedford, New Hampshire.

The groom is a graduate of Turners Falls High School, and graduated from the University of Massachusetts. He is production manager for Group Five Communications, Manchester, New Hampshire.

After a cruise to the Caribbean, the couple will reside in Manchester, New Hampshire.



MRS. JOHN M. SHANAHAN
nee Michelle Marie Duclos

Agawam Junior Women's Club To Begin Busy Season

Fall is here and the Agawam Junior Women's Club will be starting another busy year. The first club meeting will take place on Tuesday, September 20th, at 7:30 p.m. Meetings are held on the third Tuesday of the month at the Captain Charles Leonard House, Main Street, Agawam.

The upcoming year will bring many informational programs. The September meeting will be a presentation from Sally Long of the Women's Pavilion at Mercy Hospital speaking on the subject of PMS. Future programs include storyteller Tom McCabe, the stenciling work of Irene Blanchard, along with the annual visit from the AFS exchange students.

Area women over the age of 18 interested in getting more information on the Juniors, may call Eileen at 789-2818.

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Saturday, September 24th
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Monday, September 26th
Agawam Women's Club
Captain Charles Leonard House
6:30 p.m.

Thursday, September 29th
"Fall In Style" Fashion Show
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The Oaks Inn - 100 Suffield Street
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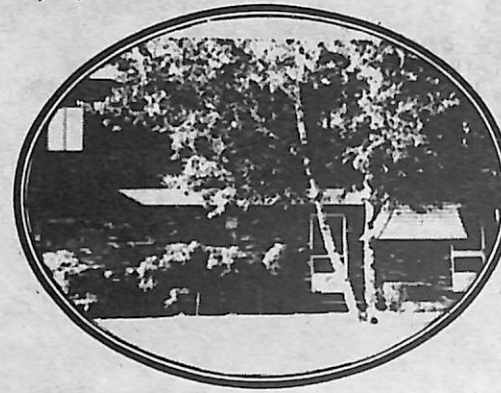
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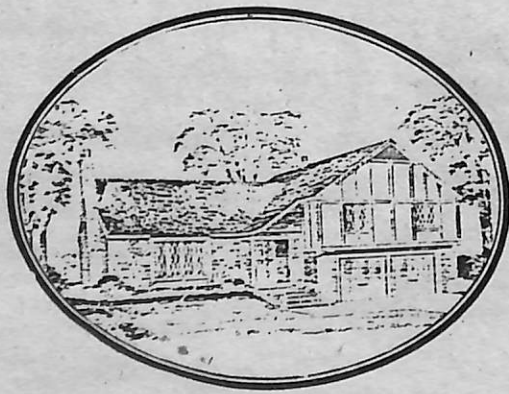
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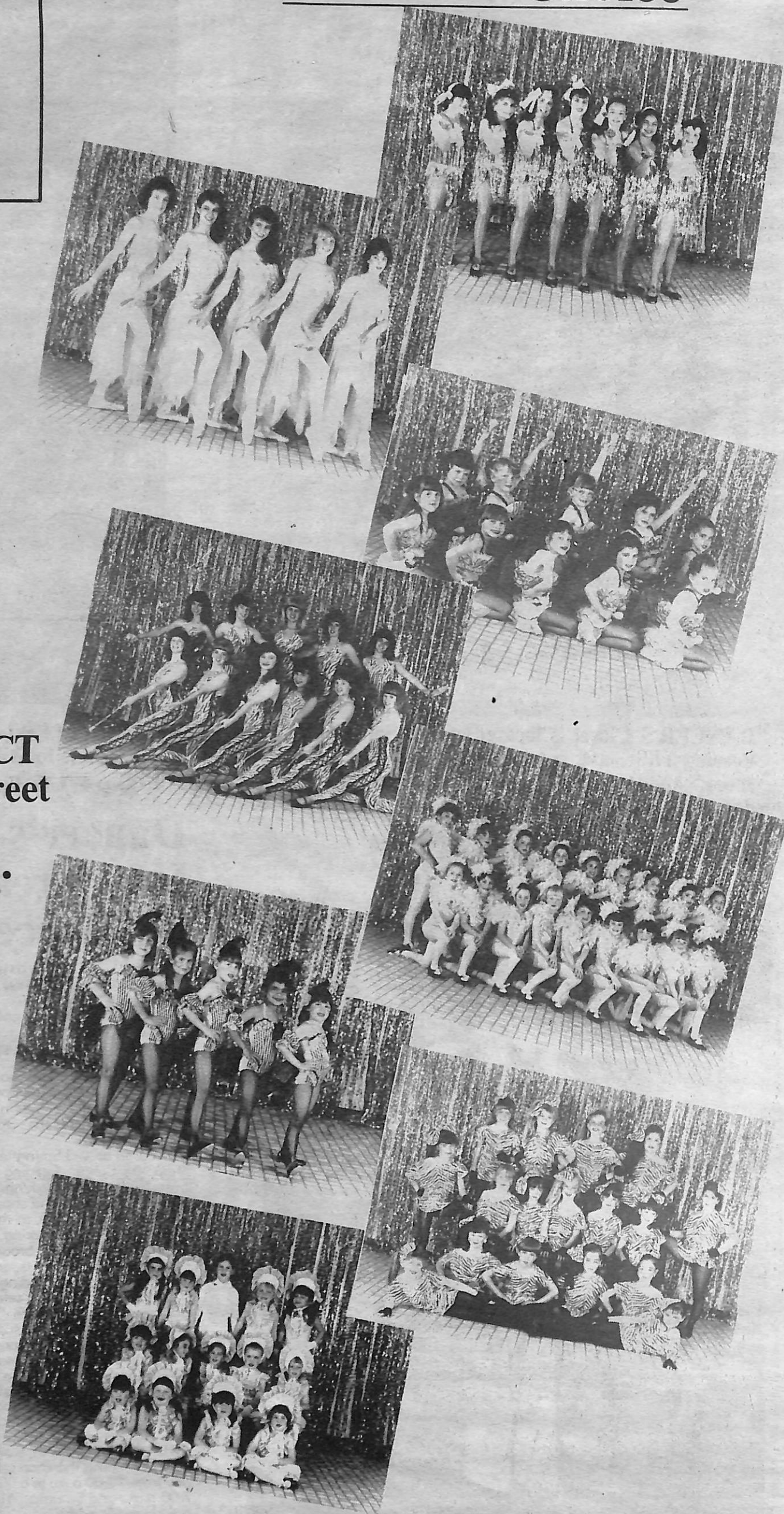
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Spotlight On Business...



DANCER'S Closet is located at 495 Springfield Street, Feeding Hills, and carries a complete line of clothing, shoes, and accessories for the dance and exercise devotees. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



SANDRA MORRIS is owner and opener of **Dancer's Closet** in Feeding Hills. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



PAT MILLER is the sister of owner **Sandra Morris** and is available to assist customers throughout the week. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Dancer's Closet Has Great Stock Of Dance Wear

by Christine Piesyk
Advertiser News Staff

From traditional tap and ballet shoes to majorette boots...

From leotards and tights to elaborate workout ensembles...

The **Dancer's Closet** has what you're looking for. Proprietor Sandy Morris opened this one-stop shop last January and carries a complete line of clothing, shoes, and accessories for the dance and exercise devotees.

Located at 495 Springfield Street in the Hollow Pine Shopping Center, Feeding Hills, the shop is centrally based with ample parking. The display area is roomy, allowing browsers and shoppers a chance to step back and take a good look at their prospective purchases.

Sandy, a hard-working mother of three dancing daughters, stocks a broad range of shoes for tap, ballet, and jazz students, and can custom-order special footwear needs—including ballroom dance shoes.

Her stock includes a selection of fringe and beaded and/or sequined trim to "jazz up" the basic dance ensemble. She can also supply batons, cane, and even top hats for special performances or shows.

She also carries a limited line of specialty gift items, not the least of which are gold or silver pendant and necklace sets featuring the drama masks (pleasure and pain). Seasonally, she stocks ceramic mugs, jewelry and dance-oriented merchandise for performance oriented gift-givers.

Her sister, Pat Miller, works alternate schedules with Sandy, keeping the shop open Monday through Thursday from 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.; Friday, 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.; and Saturday, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. They are closed Sundays.

For customer inquiries, they are just a phone call away at 789-3440.

Home Builders To Hold Meeting

The Home Builders Association of Greater Springfield will hold its General Membership meeting for September on Tuesday, September 20th, at 6:00 p.m., at the Wyckoff Country Club, Holyoke.

The Home Builders Association has invited more than 200 building, plumbing, gas, electric, and fire inspectors from a three county area to be the association's guests at this evening's salute to the hard working individuals charged with the responsibility of upholding the construction standards of the various towns in Western Massachusetts.

The keynote speaker for this special evening is David McCartney, technical director of the State Board of Building Regulations and Standards, who will speak on "Professionalism for Building Inspectors and Builders."

Reservations for the dinner and meeting can be made by contacting the Home Builders Association of Greater Springfield, 733-3126.

WE URGE our readers to make Agawam their business every week!

Weekly Events At Ag. Senior Center

September 20th, Tuesday: 1:00 p.m., Blood Pressure Clinic, M-Z.

September 22nd, Thursday: 10:00 a.m., Foot Nurses, by appointment.

September 27th, Tuesday: 2:00 p.m., Legal Consultation with Attorney Teryl Jansons, by appointment.

October 3rd, Monday: 12:30 p.m., Driver Improvement and Education, Registry of Motor Vehicles. Topic: Handicapped Plates and Placards (first segment).

October 4th, Tuesday: 1:00 p.m., Blood Pressure Clinic through the Health Fair.

October 4th, Tuesday: 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Health Fair. Open to all Agawam seniors.

October 4th, Tuesday: No classes on this day in lieu of the Health Fair.

October 5th, Wednesday: 9:00 a.m. to 3:45 p.m., Podiatry Service, Dr. Haynes. By appointment.

October 7th, Friday: 1:00 p.m., Diabetic Screening. By appointment.

October 11th, Tuesday: 12:30 program. Massachusetts Association for the Blind, with Representative Susan Meyers.

October 13th, Thursday: A special Columbus Day menu. Reservations will open Thursday before.

October 16th, Sunday: Agawam seniors participate in "The Paper Chase" for the fun walk.

October 17th, Monday: 12:30 p.m., Driver Improvement and Education, Registry of Motor Vehicles. Topic: License Renewal.

October 18th, Tuesday: 1:00 p.m., Blood Pressure Clinic, M-Z.

October 25th, Tuesday: 2:00 p.m., Legal Consultation with Attorney Teryl Jansons, by appointment.

October 27th, Thursday: 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Foot Nurses, by appointment.

Special Program At The Senior Center:

On October 3rd and 17th, at 12:30 p.m., the Senior Center will feature a very special two-part program sponsored by the Massachusetts Registry of Motor Vehicles. The program will be presented by Inspector Zewirski, director of the Driver Improvement and Education Program. The first part will cover handicap plates and placards. The second part, which will be on the 17th, will cover license renewal and eye screening. If you are 60 or over, and still driving an automobile, this two-part program will not only be interesting but most beneficial. Please mark your calendar so that you won't be left out on this free service. For more information, please call the Activities Department, 786-0400, extension 242.

Paper Chase Participation

Reservations are still open for the Paper Chase. Please join us for the fun walk on Sunday, October 16th. The walk is open to all ages and the seniors at the Senior Center are representing the seniors of Agawam, and are looking for more participants to join them. Please call the Activities Department, 786-0400, extension 242.

Health Fair

The Agawam Council on Aging and Heritage Hall are sponsoring a Health and Wellness Fair on October 4th, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Our motto is "Supporting Community Health." Services will be offered on a "first-come, first-served" basis. Some of the participants are: Community Eye Care, Mercy Hospital, Women's Pavilion, Audio Van and Respiratory Unit, Baystate Medical Center, Arthritis Foundation, American Cancer Association, Schlaffer Chiropractic, New Age Health Food, and many more. Join us on this important day, for your health.

More Spotlight On Business...

Woronoco Savings Joins Yankee 24 & Welcomes Short Stop

Cornelius D. Mahoney, President/CEO Woronoco Savings Bank, announced that the bank has become a new member of YANKEE 24, one of the strongest regional automated teller machine networks in the country. "Joining YANKEE 24 proves once again our commitment to innovation and service," said Mr. Mahoney. "It is seen by the Trustees' Marketing Committee as an opportunity to provide additional convenience to our customers and expand and boost ATM usage. The ATM service will now be called 'Short Stop'."

Mahoney continued, "Woronoco Savings Bank has consistently strived to offer our customers the best available products and services; this has kept us on the leading edge. By joining YANKEE 24, we are giving our customers access to their accounts at over 2800 automated teller machines representing financial institutions all over New England."

YANKEE 24 is operated by New England Network, Inc., under the trademark YANKEE 24. It is New England's fastest growing regional ATM network and serves financial institutions in the six New England states. All automated teller machines belonging to the YANKEE 24 ATM network are easily recognizable by the prominently displayed YANKEE 24 logo.

"Over a six week period commencing on September 12th, Woronoco will be offering an incentive program to all who take a demonstration on 'SHORT STOP' and apply for a new card. The theme that we will be promoting will be the 'Woronoco Team,' 'SHORT STOP' and YANKEE 24 'Team Up' to give you access to cash at home or on the road," Mahoney added.

Woronoco will be celebrating the YANKEE 24 occasion by conducting a prize drawing for a first prize of two seats to all Red Sox weekend home games for the 1989 season, plus second and third prize drawings for United States Savings Bonds.

Annmarie's Dance Plus Has Relocated To New Juniper Ridge Shops

Annmarie's Dance Place Plus has relocated to the new Juniper Ridge Shops in Feeding Hills. She was previously at 65 Mill Street, Agawam. Annmarie Morin is happy about opening in the new location.

She is pleased to announce that the spacious facility has two large dance rooms with raised wood floors. This type of professional wood floor is very important for the dancer because it aids in the prevention of leg injuries.

Also, the studio has a dressing room, waiting room with nice bay windows, and, of course, central air-conditioning so the students can keep comfortable during workouts.

The types of classes for ages 2½ to adult are: preschool, classical ballet, pointe, Funky Jazz, Broadway tap, gymnastics, baton, and character. The gymnastics class will include technique on the studio's balance beam.

The teaching staff is of top notch quality. Annmarie is certified to teach by Dance Masters and Dance Educators of America. All of Annmarie's teachers attend dance conventions to keep up with the latest styles and techniques.

Annmarie's Studio of Modeling & Finishing, Agawam's newest charm school, will also be opening at the Juniper Ridge Shops. Courses offered are going to be for all ages and include: a modeling workshop in professional modeling for ages eight and up, children's etiquette and modeling for ages five to nine, adult aerobics, adult makeup and wardrobe, and pageant consultation. Annmarie's courses will provide an individual with knowledge to bring one's poise and confidence out to its fullest.

Classes started Saturday, September 10th. Early registration is suggested since classes are filling quickly. For more information on Annmarie's, please call 734-8784 or 789-3385.

Democratic Committee Staffed Table At Sacred Heart Tag Sale

The Agawam Democratic Committee staffed a table at the Tag Sale on the grounds of Sacred Heart Church on Saturday, September 10, 1988. The purpose of the sale table was to raise funds for the annual college scholarships awarded by the Democratic Committee. Organizers of the tag sale, Theresa Kozloski, Jean Stowers, and Meanette Vermes, pronounced the event a success, thanks to generous contributions of articles for sale and the work of several volunteers from the Agawam Democratic Committee.

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IN PHOTO BELOW AND ABOVE, part of the large gathering who attended the gala 10-year reunion of the Agawam High School Class of 1978. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.



REUNION COMMITTEE MEMBERS included Rosemary (Scibelli) Saccomani, Shelley (Borgatti) Magagnoli, and Dee Dee Murphy. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



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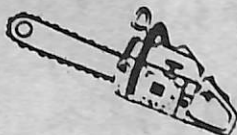
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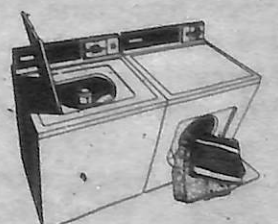
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Local Cancer Society To Hold Fashion Show

"Fall In Style" is more than a fashion show. That is the message that the Reach To Recovery Committee of both the Greater Springfield and Greater Holyoke/Chicopee Units of the American Cancer Society hopes to get across. On Thursday, September 29th, at 8:00 p.m., models, medical educators, and the public will be able to enjoy and learn from each other at this annual event. The location is The Oaks, 1070 Suffield Street, Agawam.

Reach To Recovery is the American Cancer Society service program which helps mastectomy patients—former patients helping new patients. All of the volunteer models have had cancer. According to coordinator Yvette Choiniere, the purpose of the show is especially important. "We want to let cancer patients and the public know that these women are just as capable as anyone else. Their clothing is nice and fashionable and no different from that worn by any other woman," she said.

Well-known fashion expert Arleen Roberts will serve as commentator. The shops represented include Petite Sophisticates, Sophisticated Women, August Max, and Modern Women. Clothing includes sports, day wear, bathing suits, and evening dresses. In addition, Mary Kay will do the models' make-up, and there will be several prosthesis displays. Organist Richard Mitnik will provide the musical accompaniment.

The evening continues with a panel discussion and a question and answer period conducted by four area medical experts. Those involved are Dr. Paul Hetzel, oncologist; Dr. Nancy Weiss, surgeon; Dr. Philip Stone, plastic surgeon; and Dr. Peggy Sue Kramyak, radiotherapist.

"The panel's purpose is to make people aware of the facts," says Ms. Choiniere. "We hope that everyone will leave with a good feeling when all questions have been answered."

Admission to the event is \$7 with all proceeds to benefit the American Cancer Society. Coffee and dessert will also be served. Tickets are on a first-come basis, with only a limited number sold at the door. Checks should be made payable to the American Cancer Society and sent to the Society at 57 Suffolk Street, Holyoke, MA, 01040, or call Lucille Camyre, 786-9425. Any questions can be directed to the American Cancer Society by calling 536-2255. The public is encouraged to attend.

Agawam Lions Club Introduces New Officers



THIS YEAR'S OFFICERS of the Agawam Lions Club include (back row, from left) Patrick Finck, Frank Disco, Lyman Simpson, Fred Serra, and Ed Taupier. Front row - Tom Cascio, Jr. (president), Tom Dacey, and Joe Guy. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Big E Historians To Recall Hurricane of '38

Weather watchers and storm chasers be on the lookout for "Hurricane Day" on September 21st at The Big E, "New England's Great State Fair." Volunteers are needed throughout the 12-day fair, September 14th to 25th, at the exhibit which helps commemorate the Hurricane of 1938. The storm roared into New England 50 years ago on the same date, interrupting the run of the 22nd annual Eastern States Exposition.

The special hurricane exhibit, located in the New England Center for the duration of the fair, will feature stories, recollections, and photos of the Hurricane of '38 and its aftermath at the fair.

"Weather" you have an uncontrollable interest in hurricanes or other storms, you are invited to take part

in this hurricane exhibit and be a part of the 67th Big E.

If you are outgoing and personable, and like working with the public, then don't miss this perfect opportunity "blowing" at your door. Volunteers will be asked to hand out literature on hurricanes and circulate throughout the exhibit. You need not be knowledgeable on hurricanes as this can be a learning experience for you as well.

Volunteers receive free admission and parking, and hours are flexible. The work schedule will be set up in four-hour shifts from 10:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m., daily so volunteers have the opportunity to enjoy The Big E.

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For Your Health...

Menopause Series At Providence Hospital

The Center for Women's Health at Providence Hospital has developed a new program for middle years aged women entitled, "The Menopause Series."

The series was created, according to Sally Howland, BSN, coordinator of Women's Health Education at the Center, to address a woman's need for education and emotional support during the menopause transition years. Each Menopause Series includes four sessions, scheduled conveniently in the early evening. Sessions are two hours in length and include both time for formal education about pertinent health issues and time for sharing and support. "Women have a lot of questions about their health and the many physical changes which occur during the transition to menopause," Ms. Howland said. "They are interested in information about osteoporosis and estrogen replacement therapy as well as how nutritional and exercise needs change as they grow older."

The program is also designed to provide middle years' women with an opportunity to gain emotional support through the sharing of their thoughts and concerns within a small group setting. "This kind of emotional support can provide women with a great deal of comfort and strength as they move into this new phase of life," said Kathleen Barrett, M.A., director of Women's Health Services. "It can be very reassuring to know that other women share many of the same feelings and frustrations that you are experiencing," she added.

Ann Grose, R.N., M.Ed., will be facilitating The Menopause Series. She comes to Providence Hospital with a great deal of knowledge and expertise in the area women's health. Ms. Grose is now a nurse practitioner and Health Educator at the University of Massachusetts Health Services in Amherst and is, herself, a middle years' woman. She has lectured and led workshops on the subject of menopause in the Northampton and Amherst area. "Women can often find the middle years to be a challenging time," said Ms. Grose. "However, with more knowledge and understanding about the menopause transition, women can more fully enjoy this phase of life," she added.

The Menopause Series will begin on Thursday, October 6th, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. It will meet for four consecutive Thursday evenings in the hospital's Childbirth Education Room 301. There is a \$40 fee for the program and pre-registration is required. If you are interested in learning more about this new program, please call Ms. Howland at The Center for Women's Health, 539-2953, Monday to Friday, from 8:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

For glossy copies of photos in this edition, townsfolk turn our pages every week

YOUR Dental Health

by Dr. Stephen R. Jacaparo
1379 Main Street - Agawam, 786-8177

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Presented as a community service by Stephen R. Jacaparo, D.M.D., 1379 Main Street, Agawam. PHONE: 786-8177.

YOUR BACK & YOUR HEALTH

by Dr. Joseph & Dr. Katherine Schlaffer - Chiropractors



Well, it's here again. Football season!! Football is one of the roughest, toughest sports, and it attracts thousands of youngsters each fall. Unfortunately, the thrills it generates for spectators are often accompanied by injuries to the participants.

As chiropractic physicians, our interest in the game goes beyond the competition when there is an injury at the game, or the possibility that one has occurred.

An injury on the football field is very often the same type as that received in an auto crash. The body is struck or badly jarred, and the bones in the neck or back can be misplaced, or sometimes fractured.

When this occurs in an arm or leg, the fractured bone is set and nature heals the break with time.

But not so easily detected and more threatening is a misplaced or damaged vertebra in the spinal column.

If one or more of these bones is even slightly out of line, it can mean pressure on the nerves inside the spine and actual partial or complete paralysis of muscles and organs.

It can cause permanent spinal curvature later which shows up with startling clarity on x-rays of many patients.

While football is a fine builder of character and body, no football injury should be forgotten until after a competent consultation and examination.

Football is part of an American tradition in education, and it is certainly here to stay. But there is always a price for good things, and the price of football is occasional injury to the players.

The Schlaffer Chiropractic Office, 192 Shoemaker Lane, Agawam, emphasizes the health of Agawam's athletes and is well-equipped to examine and treat those who have been injured.

Gerry Mason Walk Set By Junior Diabetes

The Greater Springfield Chapter of the Juvenile Diabetes Foundation will hold a walk-a-thon on Sunday, October 16th, at 9:00 a.m., (pre-registration) at the Agawam High School. Honorary chairmen for the event will be Lynn Barry, anchorwoman at Channel 22 News, and Stanley Chmielewski, Chief of Police. There are special prizes and free tee-shirts for a minimum of \$25 in pledges.

There are 80 walks nationwide for J.D.F. Our walk is for the late Gerald J. Mason. Through the years Gerry worked in all areas in the community. He was active in fundraising for many activities whether it be politics, Agawam Athletic Association, or working with the youth in town. He had a big heart for children and for the last few years of his life was very involved with the Juvenile Diabetes Foundation.

Although he had a personal reason for helping (he had diabetes), his concern was never for himself but for the children that had this dreadful disease. His life was needlessly cut short, and he is sadly missed by us and his friends and family.

Diabetes with complications is a leading cause of death in this country. One out of every 20 persons will be afflicted with diabetes in their lifetime. Every third family either has someone in their family or knows a person with diabetes. Insulin is not a cure.

Your participation in a J.D.F. walk helps everyone fight for a diabetes free future. All proceeds benefit diabetes research. So, please join us and walk for a cure.

We will have hot dogs, drink, face painting, aerobic warm-up, music, and lots of fun!

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**MANAGING
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by Dr. Stephen Sobel
M.S., S.M.C.



DEAR DR. SOBEL:

I am a recently divorced woman who was married for 12 years. I have worked part-time only during the years I was married. Now I am faced with the reality of having to work full-time to help support my children and our living expenses.

Although my husband will contribute financially, it is nowhere near the amount of money we need. My confidence seems to go up and down.

Is a support group a good idea or should I just do the best I can? My stress level is high. This is a rough time and I often find myself in tears.

Thanks, A.M., Agawam

ANSWER:

A support group would help ease the transition to your new "chapter" in life. You seem to be going through stressful thoughts/circumstances that one might expect given the circumstances. Sharing your feelings and needs with a group led by a professional or experienced group leader who is keen on issues of divorce should be given high priority. Individual sessions might also be a good idea.

People often feel guilty, anxious, and angry in the face of divorce. Your seeking support will most likely help your children's emotional stability as well. Stress seems to build over a period of time and you need to start to take control!

If you need more information on where to find a group to meet your needs, feel free to give my office a call at 785-1259. We are glad to help. You'll be just fine in time!

STRESS CHEK

A special service to AAN Readers. (1) Where will you be the evening of October 19th? Hopefully at Dr. Sobel's next super seminar to be held Wednesday, October 19th, from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m., at The Holiday Inn in Holyoke. Fee is \$45. Call 785-1259 to reserve your place—group discounts. Hundreds of people have attended the last four seminars—we'd like you to join us! (or come again!)

(2) Dr. Sobel's newest cassette tape (Side 1—Daily "Pep Talk"; Side 1—Daily Relaxation) is now available in stores. AAN readers can order direct from Dr. Sobel for \$10/tape—a special discounted price. Write: Dr. Sobel, c/o N.E.I.S.M., 322 Main Street, Springfield, MA, 01105, or call. The tape features Dr. Sobel speaking to you. Check made payable to Dr. Sobel. Include your name and full address. Will send in one to two weeks.

(3) A new evidence review by experts at the National Institutes of Health and others show that research may have isolated the so-called "toxic" component of Type-A behavior. It's hostility. For Dr. Sobel's free "tips" on reducing hostility and to improve your health/mindset, simply send a request by mail to Dr. Sobel.

Have a marvelous September and appreciate each day!

**S.T.A.R.T.
Exercising!!!**

by Patrick Carley, M.S., R.P.T.
S.T.A.R.T. Sports Medicine, Physical Therapy
60 North Westfield Street, Feeding Hills, 786-8908

DEAR S.T.A.R.T.:

I'm planning to S.T.A.R.T. a walking program outside now that my children are back in school. Someone told me to include some warm-up and stretch activities before walking. Why is that so important if I'm just going to walk briskly?

Fast Footin'

DEAR FAST FEET:

Stretching, warming-up, and cooling-down are all easy to do and crucial to any exercise program, even walking briskly. Stretching before exercise is considered essential to preventing such injuries as muscle strains and muscle soreness.

When stretching, make sure that you don't bounce because this may tend to tighten the muscle rather than lengthening it. A nice, gentle stretch is enough to get flexibility in those potentially tight muscles. You should probably spend about 5-10 minutes working those kinks out.

The next phase that should be considered is the warm-up. It takes 5-10 minutes to gradually warm-up in order to ready the body for activity. Warming-up allows your body to gradually raise your general body temperature as well as the deep muscle temperature. A good way to warm up is to begin your walking at a slow pace that increases in speed during that 5-10 minute period. After that, begin walking briskly at a pace that you feel is challenging. Remember, don't S.T.A.R.T. walking two to three miles your first day out; take time to build up to that distance.

Finally, after you have gone through your walking program, it's important that you allow your body to cool down properly. You want to avoid coming to a complete stop since your body needs time to adjust to a slower pace. Your muscles need to make up for any imbalances from all that exercise. Also, a few minutes of slowing your walking allows the blood and heart to make that change from exercise to resting again.

Now you're armed and ready to pound the pavement safely. Happy motoring and if you have any questions, feel free to call us at S.T.A.R.T. Physical Therapy, 786-8908.

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Storowton Village Has Many Big E Events

Storowton Village, the Eastern States Exposition's authentic 19th century colonial village, has a variety of activities planned throughout The Big E, "New England's Great State Fair," September 14th-25th.

Guided tours through the past will be directed by costumed interpreters throughout the day. From 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. daily, demonstrations of crafts and other colonial activities will be spotlighted in the Gilbert House, Potter Mansion, and the Blacksmith Shop.

Storowton Wine Garden will be open to serve visitors the finest New England wines and light fare. The evenings will be filled with mellow folk music by David Letellier, singer and guitarist.

Each noon, the picturesque Village Green will be overflowing with children of all ages wishing to partake in the daily children's games which award prize ribbons to all the winners. The games featured are a variety of colonial-era children's games such as sack races and hoop races.

Also on the Green will be the Storowton Dancers, performing at 6:00 p.m., September 14th-19th, and the

American Heritage Dancers, performing at 6:15 p.m., September 20th-25th.

Children's entertainer and award winner, Sandra Beech, will entertain fairgoers with her stories and songs at the Gazebo daily throughout the 12-day fair at 11:00 a.m., 1:30, 3:00, and 5:00 p.m.

The Flag History Program, which takes place both weekends during the Big E, includes the presentation of the U.S. Flag by the Boy Scouts, a small parade and information on the history and meaning of the U.S. Flag. Marching band performances occur each afternoon throughout the run of the fair on the Village Green.

For the benefit of fairgoers who want to get a religious start on Sundays, there is an 8:00 a.m. Catholic Mass, and a 9:00 a.m. non-denominational Protestant Service, both in Storowton Church. On Sunday, September 18th, at 10:00 a.m., the "Chalice of Salvation," a Catholic Mass, will be televised live on WWLP-TV Channel 22 from Storowton Village Green.

Storowton Village is a special place during the fair and throughout the year. For information, call 787-0136.

VFW Jr. Girls' Unit Holds Coffee Hour At Soldier's Home

The Junior Girls' Unit to the Agawam Ladies Auxiliary 1632, recently held a coffee hour for the patients at Holyoke Soldier's Home. The girls served homemade cookies with the coffee.

Jamie Lee Croteau of West Springfield is the newest member to join the Agawam Unit under the leadership of Lydia Goupee, president. Girls six to 16 are invited to join the unit. Call Rita Shea, chairwoman, 732-0681, for more information.

Hospital work is one of six programs the Junior Girls' carry out, as relating to their auxiliary's programs.

At their October 4th meeting, the Agawam firemen will present the home safety film, geared to the TV version, "Family Feud." On October 8th, the state will hold their Junior Girls' Conference at the Agawam Post.

D. Vicki Sousa is state treasurer for the Junior Girls' unit; Lydia Goupee is patriotic instructor; Barbara Carra and Katie Mallett are state color bearers.

Because the Junior Girls' must join under a veteran who has the requirements to join the VFW, they will be accepted into an auxiliary of their choice when they turn 16.

Big E's Wine & Cheese Garden Featuring New England Fare

Early New Englanders made their wines from available fruits in the region such as blueberries, apples, cranberries, and, of course, grapes. These and other fruit wines will be served in the Wine Garden.

Attractive platters with New England crackers and cheeses, hot cheddar dip and chips, and mouthwatering harvest fruit trays are prepared for the tasters' delight.

At the non-alcoholic level, sparkling cider from Vermont and Poland Springs sparkling water from Maine will be ready to quench any fairgoer's thirst.

Every night of the 12-day fair at 6:30 p.m., visitors can enjoy the enchanting sounds of the talented folksinger, David Letellier.

Come enjoy the restful ambiance of the Wine Garden this year at The Big E, "New England's Great State Fair," which runs September 14th-25th.

Bay State Gas Offers Tips For Upcoming Winter Season

It's not too early to prepare your home for the cold months ahead, according to Bay State Gas. By weatherizing your home now, you can increase your comfort and energy savings this winter.

According to Joe Tennihan, manager of Bay State Gas' Con-Serve division, adding insulation to your attic is the most cost-effective conservation improvement you can make to a home. "Since heat rises, adding attic insulation traps heat and helps keep your home warmer in the winter," Tennihan added. "Just as importantly, a well insulated home stays cooler in the summer, too."

In this region, insulation with a heat value of R-33 is best for insulating attic floors, while R-19 should be used to insulate walls—the second most common source of heat loss in a home. The "R" represents the insulation's ability to resist heat passing through it. The higher the "R" value, the greater the insulating ability.

Other conservation tips to consider now are the installation of storm windows or prime replacement windows and storm doors; having your furnace "tuned-up" to ensure efficient operation; checking the ductwork on a forced air heating system and sealing leaks at connection points with duct tape or caulking; and cleaning or replacing your furnace filter.

Agawam Police Explorers Set First Meeting September 21st

The Agawam Police Explorers will hold their first meeting of the new year on Wednesday, September 21st, at 7:00 p.m., at the Agawam Police Department headquarters, 681 Springfield Street, Feeding Hills. New members are invited to attend this meeting.

The Post is coed and anyone between 14 and 19 years-old is invited to join if they have an interest in law enforcement as a career.

We have a diversified program which includes first aid, radio dispatching, fingerprinting, photography, criminal law, use of firearms, etc. If this is something you think you might be interested in, please contact Sergeant Donald Lonco or Lieutenant Robert Campbell at police headquarters, 786-4767.

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Louise Mandrell On Stage At The Big E

Boasting country music as her third love, country singer Louise Mandrell is no stranger to The Big E or to the world of country music.

God and her family, in that order, are Ms. Mandrell's first two loves, according to the fast-rising Nashville star, who will perform in free shows at 3:30 and 6:30 p.m., September 23rd-25th, at The Big E's Miller American Bandshell.

Ms. Mandrell leaped into the national spotlight in the fall of 1980 as one of the talented siblings on the NBC television show "Barbara Mandrell and the Mandrell Sisters." She was still a relative newcomer, however, when she first took to the Big E stage in 1979.

Since then she has become an overnight sensation earning unparalleled reviews, a string of hit records, a best-selling book, and her own nationally syndicated television special.

Ms. Mandrell began her career while a junior in high school as her older sister's first full-time bass guitar player and one of the original "Do-Rites." Before her 16th birthday, she worked every major city in the United States and Canada and has even performed in clubs and on military buses all over Europe.

While still a teenager, she became a fixture on the Grand Ole Opry with the Stu Phillips Show. Later, she both toured and recorded with entertainment legend Merle Haggard. When barely out of her teens, the petite musician had become a well-respected Music City instrumentalist.

Combining bluegrass traditions with pure country harmonies, Ms. Mandrell incorporates Broadway-perfect dance steps into her stage performances. In addition to singing, she is an accomplished musician, having mastered the base, banjo, and electric fiddle.

Since joining RCA records in 1982, Ms. Mandrell has had a string of hits that include, "Some of My Best Friends Are Old Songs," "Save Me," "Too Hot to Sleep," "I'm Not Through Loving You Yet," "I Wanna Say Yes," and "Maybe My Baby."

Her credits include almost every major syndicated country show; her own two-hour, star-studded special, "Louise Mandrell-Diamonds, Gold and Platinum," and network notables which included the successful series "Barbara Mandrell and the Mandrell Sisters," the daytime soap, "Another World," "The Tonight Show," "The Richard Simmons Show," "Austin City Limits," "Solid Gold," "Hee Haw," and CBS shows "Crazy Like a Fox," and "The New Mike Hammer."

In pursuit of her writing skills, her first book, *The Mandrell Family Album*, was a 90,000 word autobiography published by Thomas Nelson. It became an immediate "Best Seller" when released in July 1983, and was released in paperback in July 1984.

Ms. Mandrell has been married eight years to RC Bannon, one of Nashville's finest songwriters. She loves skiing, fishing, swimming, cooking, playing cards, and almost any type of athletic competition.

This year's Big E, runs September 14th-25th. More than one million fairgoers are expected to pass through the gates of the 67th annual Big E, "New England's Great State Fair."

Townfolk turn our pages for all the local news every week
ADVERTISER NEWS

Adults & Children Can Take Art Classes

The School of the George Walter Vincent Smith Art Museum is offering several classes for adults and children that will focus on the upcoming exhibition, *Lasting Impressions: French and American Impressionism from New England Museums*. That show, featuring about 60 masterpieces by such artists as Renoir, Monet, Degas, Cassatt, and Hassam, will run from September 25th through November 27th at the Springfield Museum of Fine Arts.

Adults can sign-up for **French and American Impressionism**, a six-week art appreciation course taught by curatorial assistant Bill Stern, co-author of the exhibition catalogue. The course is arranged by artist and will focus not only on the paintings of the Impressionists, but also on their social and political milieu, their message, and the impact of their new vision.

Topics will include: the role and effects of photography, the rise of the bourgeoisie as art-makers and the art market, and the roots of the avant-garde. Stern's class will be held on Monday evenings from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m., and will run for six weeks, beginning September 19th.

And, a new course designed for intermediate and advanced painters, will look to the exhibition for ideas on painting in water-based medium. **Aqueous Media: A Path Toward Creating** will stimulate expressions of creativity in each student through exploration of the *Lasting Impressions* show.

Two guest artists will visit the class, and talk about their work and what they believe stimulates their creative growth. Artist Priscilla Souder will teach this course, emphasizing individual instruction and critique of students' work. This class will be held on Wednesday mornings from 10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., and will run for 10 weeks, beginning October 5th.

Young people aged 13 to 16 can explore the transatlantic roots of Impressionism by signing-up for **An American In Paris: Impressionism**. Students will tour *Lasting Impressions* and scrutinize the original masterpieces with a magnifying glass. Instructor Diane Savino will open the door to 19th-century France as she guides students in creating a "pointillist" still life and outdoor landscape. Participants will build their skills in color mixing, proportion, and gesture drawing as they master the art of Impressionism by sculpting a Degas dancer, abstracting a Monet masterpiece, and much more!

The exhibition, *Lasting Impressions: French and American Impressionism from New England Museums*, is made possible by a generous contribution from Springfield Institution for Savings. For information on registering for these courses, call the education department of the Springfield art museums, 733-4214.

Berkshire Ballet Auditioning For Christmas "Nutcracker"

The Berkshire Ballet will present its Christmas classic "The Nutcracker" at the Paramount Theatre in Springfield on December 4th. Auditions will be held in the Springfield area for children's roles in the production. Children, six years-old and older, are needed.

The auditions are scheduled for Sunday, October 2nd, at the American International College, Esther B. Griswold Theatre in Springfield.

Audition times are as follows:

12:00 to 1:30 p.m., ages six to eight

1:30 to 3:00 p.m., ages nine to 11

3:00 to 4:30 p.m., ages 12 and up

For further information, contact the Berkshire Ballet, 1-445-5382.

Victorian Calligraphy Available At Museum

Enter the elegant world of Victorian arts and letters with a fascinating new course entitled *Calligraphy: Victoriana*, offered by the School of the George Walter Vincent Smith Art Museum in Springfield.

This course will introduce the script called *Copperplate*, which was used extensively during the Victorian era. *Copperplate* is created with a pointed pen and is the basis of our present-day writing. Students will contrast this script, as did the Victorian people, with *Blackletter*, a heavier, darker and more gothic style.

Under the guidance of master calligrapher Mari Funai, students will learn both scripts in class and will study the flow between the two as seen in Victorian examples. Insights gathered in class will be used for modern applications of this beautiful script and students should be able to complete one piece of work.

The class will be held on Tuesday mornings from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m., and will run for 10 weeks from October 4th through December 6th.

Calligraphy: The Decorative Page will be taught on Monday evenings from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., beginning October 3rd and will introduce students to the decorative medieval page.

For information on either calligraphy course, call 733-4214.

Springfield Orchestra Asso. To Kick-Off Fund Drive

The Springfield Orchestra Association will kick-off its Annual Fund Drive campaign with a telethon on Monday, September 19th, according to George Ditomassi, president of Milton Bradley, Inc. Ditomassi will serve for the second year as the Fund Drive chairman of the Springfield Orchestra Association's fund drive campaign. Co-chairwomen of the telethon are Anne Barrett of East Longmeadow and Betty Lane of Westfield.

Through the generosity of Carroll Travel, volunteers from area service clubs and businesses will be calling from 15 phone lines at the travel bureau's Main Street office. Tilly's Restaurant will donate refreshments for the volunteer callers throughout the telethon and Raymond Harvey, Music Director of the Springfield Symphony Orchestra, will make several appearances during the calling.

The fund drive goal for this year is \$150,000. Monies raised will help support the Orchestra's performing season, their outreach efforts, and a wide variety of educational programs.

For more information on the Fund Drive Telethon, please call the Springfield Symphony Orchestra Development office, 733-0636.

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Festival 88 In Ludlow On Sunday, Sept. 25th

Festival 88, the 7th Annual Ludlow Craft Fair in the Park, has been scheduled for Sunday, September 25th, with a reserved rain date of October 2nd. This year's event is being jointly sponsored by the Ludlow Music and Arts Society and The Exit 7 Players as a benefit fundraiser for the restoration and enhancement of the Chestnut Theater.

Chestnut Street Theater is located adjacent to the Ludlow Town Park on Park Place. It is a community performing arts center boasting a proscenium stage, a seating capacity of 235, and excellent acoustics. In the past, the theater functioned as an auditorium for the Ludlow High School.

At the time of the conversion of the high school to the Ludlow Senior Citizens' Center, the Town of Ludlow made the facility available for use by community performing arts groups. It has been the home of Ludlow's resident community theater group, The Exit 7 Players, since their formation in 1981. Along with many dramatic performances, area residents remember a memorable production of the musical *Camelot* produced and performed by The Exit 7 Players and look forward to an equally fine production of *Brigadoon* during the new season.

More recently, the facility has been used for sold-out performances of a musical review, "Summer Serenade," produced by the Ludlow Music and Arts Society, and a number of well-attended dance recitals and reviews by area dance schools.

Festival 88 is the first in a series of events to be staged specifically to raise funds for renovations and repairs for the Chestnut Street Theater. As in the past, the Festival will be held on the tree shaded grounds of the Ludlow Town Park, located just across the bridge from Indian Orchard.

All area handcrafters and artisans are invited to participate. A 10' x 12' exhibition space is available by reservation at a cost of \$25. For reservations and application forms, please write Exit 7 Players, P.O. Box 183, Ludlow, MA, 01056, or phone Pam Hebert, 583-8575.

Tuesday Morning Music Club To Open Season Oct. 4th

The Tuesday Morning Music Club will open its 1988-89 season on October 4th at 10:00 a.m., at the Esther B. Griswold Theatre for the Performing Arts, A.I.C. campus, Springfield. There will be a business meeting honoring past presidents of the club, followed by the program at 10:30 a.m., and a coffee hour.

Guest artists, the Epic Brass Quintet, will perform for this opening concert. Founded in 1983, the Epic Brass has delight audiences throughout North America and Europe. They have played for Princes Charles and Philipino President Corazon Aquino.

Richard Riley of *The Springfield Newspapers* wrote after hearing a concert in Westfield in February: "Bravo to Westfield—the importance of such a concert cannot be overstated. The program was musically lightweight but not without its share of technical challenges."

Peggy Alexander, staff writer for the *Napa Register*, writes: "Has the audience had its way, the group would still be playing. I, for one, would still be listening, still be toe tapping, still be applauding, and still be enthralled."

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Art Works Of Westfield Native To Be Shown

Art Scene: Hampden, Hampshire and Franklin Counties opens a new season with an exhibition of works by Westfield native Donald Maki from September 18th to October 16th at the George Walter Vincent Smith Art Museum.

Members of the community are welcome to celebrate the opening of this exhibition with a free concert by the group, "Ancora," at 4:00 p.m., in the George Walter Vincent Smith Art Museum. The music is made possible with cooperation from the Community Music School and a grant from the Arts Lottery.

Maki will display about 30 oil works, including landscapes, portraits, and still lifes. His brilliant landscape paintings are an artistic salute to local scenic sites, including Mt. Tom and the majestic Mt. Holyoke. Maki's paintings of mountaineous sites incorporate perspectives of the panoramic landscapes below as well as portions of the stony mountains themselves.

"Working directly from nature seems rather essential to me," says Maki, who strives for his pictures to "have life—and beyond that, interesting life, intellectual life."

Maki describes his intention at the canvas as "not so much representation as it is to build a set of cir-

cumstances into a good picture: the day, the light, the motif, the wind blowing everything around, canvas, paint, bugs, the search is for that thing, that group of things, the right gestures and colors, that keep on breathing after I've put them down."

Maki, a graduate of the Swain School of Design in New Bedford, has exhibited extensively in the area. His solo exhibitions include shows at the Thronja Gallery in Springfield in 1986 and a display of new works at the Springfield Central Gallery in 1985. His group exhibitions include *First Street Selects* at the First Street Gallery in New York City and *Portraits from the Northeast* at the Creative Arts Workshop in New Haven, Connecticut.

Maki has worked as an instructor in studio arts at the School of the George Walter Vincent Smith Art Museum and in 1985 participated in the museum's Teaching Artists show.

Maki will give a special gallery talk about his works on Wednesday, September 21st, from 12:15 to 12:45 p.m., at the George Walter Vincent Smith Art Museum. The exhibition is free and open to the public during regular museum hours, 12:00 noon to 5:00 p.m., daily; closed Mondays. For information, call 732-6092.

Springfield Symphony On Three Concert Tour

The Springfield Symphony Orchestra, under the baton of Maestro Raymond Harvey, will begin its 45th Anniversary season with a three concert New England tour. The tour is funded by New England Telephone through a grant administered by the New England Foundation for the Arts.

As the recipient of the Symphony Orchestra Touring Initiative, the Springfield Symphony Orchestra will appear on October 6th at the University of Maine at Orono; October 7th at the University of Lowell in Lowell, Massachusetts; and October 9th at the Zeiterion Theatre in New Bedford, Massachusetts. Joining Maestro Harvey and the Springfield Symphony Orchestra for this tour will be violin virtuoso Shlomo Mintz.

The Symphony Orchestra Touring Initiative concerts are in addition to the Springfield Symphony Orchestra's 17 main season performances at home. October 8th will mark the gala opening of the Springfield Symphony Orchestra's 45th season of music making in Symphony Hall. Maestro Harvey will conduct Adams' *The Chairman Dances*, Saint-Saens' *Introduction and Rondo Capriccioso*, and Dvorak's *Symphony No. 7*; Mintz will be featured on the Berg *Violin*

Concerto that evening as well.

The Symphony Orchestra Touring Initiative is made possible through a grant from New England Telephone, a company that has demonstrated a deep commitment to the vitality of community arts activities throughout New England. Jack Briggs, assistant to the vice president, Massachusetts, New England Telephone, has stated that "New England Telephone is proud to continue its support of the Springfield Symphony and its fine programs."

This New England Tour will not only bring quality music and artistry to Orono, Maine, Lowell and New Bedford, Massachusetts, but it will allow the Springfield Symphony Orchestra to shine as an example of Springfield's many cultural offerings. The New England Foundation for the Arts will complement New England Telephone's gift with funding from the six New England states' arts agencies.

"There is a growing sense of anticipation among us as we prepare to open our 45th season with a New England tour," Music Director Raymond Harvey said recently. "The Symphony Orchestra Touring Initiative has given us the opportunity to bring our performances to a wider audience, and we welcome the musical challenge."

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Lorrie Scranton Plans New Basket Course

Springfield artisan, Lorrie Scranton, is teaching "New Baskets for Fall," beginning on Tuesday, September 27th, from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m., at the Connecticut Valley Historical Museum.

This course is designed for both beginning and experienced basket makers. All the baskets are new to Ms. Scranton's curriculum. Students will master basic skills and learn more complex techniques while completing the following three baskets: small market basket in a rectangular shape, with a handle and made from flat reed; melon basket with a complete God's eye and handle, made with round and flat reed; and a shuttle basket that is a flat wall basket, made with a long side and a short side. In addition to these three baskets, students will also make a holiday arrangement out of reed.

Pre-registration and pre-payment are required, and must be received at least one week before the first class session. Tuition is \$31 for Springfield Library and Museums Association members, and \$34 for non-members. In addition, there is a \$20 materials fee payable directly to the instructor on the first evening of class. Please call the Connecticut Valley Historical Museum for more information concerning registration and supplies, 732-3080.

The Connecticut Valley Historical Museum is supported in part by grants from the Springfield Arts Lottery Council, the Massachusetts Council on the Arts and Humanities, and the Institute of Museum Services.

The historical museum is located on the Quadrangle, at the corner of State and Chestnut Streets in downtown Springfield, and is a unit of the Springfield Library and Museums Association.

Embroidery Taught At Art Museums

Immerse yourself in the dazzling collection of international embroideries found at the Springfield Art Museums by signing-up for a special course entitled **Embroidery: Working from the Museum's Collection**. Under the tutelage of fiber artist Alice Kane, students will work directly from the museum's superb collection of embroideries from around the world and will receive stamped patterns precisely duplicating details of museum pieces. The course is designed for beginning and advanced students.

Each lesson will feature one piece from the collection as an example of a specific stitch. Beginning students can learn that basic stitch as well as its contemporary variations as they work in class on a sampler.

Experienced students can work their patterns in class or transfer them onto larger fabrics of their own selection for more challenging embroidery projects such as bell pulls, shawls, and vests.

The class will be held on Tuesday evenings, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m., and will run from October 4th through November 15th. This is the last semester in which this course will be offered, noted Art School Coordinator Maren Brown. Textile lovers should watch for new fiber arts offerings in the upcoming semesters at the School of the George Walter Vincent Smith Art Museum.

For more information, call 733-4214.

Exile To Perform At Eastern States Expo

Performing songs that cross the musical spectrum from southern rock to rhythm and blues and from pop to country, Epic recording artists Exile will perform free in concert at the Big E's Miller American Bandshell, September 20th to 22nd at 3:30 and 6:30 p.m.

This year's Big E, "New England's Great State Fair," runs September 14th to 25th, in West Springfield.

Today Exile's nine number one singles have earned the group numerous awards for songwriting and performing. But Exile's conversion to country came only after the success of their number one, multi-million selling pop hit, "Kiss You All Over."

As Exile's bassist and vocalist Sonny Lemaire explains it, pop music during the 70's moved toward a high-tech sound that Exile felt was inappropriate for their songs. "Our music is our greatest love, but as songwriters, our lyrics just didn't fit into the new dance sound that was emerging. So we went back to our homes in Kentucky, returned to our early musical roots, and began writing new songs," explained Lemaire.

Exile's new songs, "written for people who just happened to be from Nashville," noted Lemaire, quickly rose to the top of the country charts for country music's most prominent artists such as Alabama, Kenny Rogers, Juice Newton, and Janie Fricke.

As their songs became number one records for other artists, the recording industry took notice of their talent in the field of country, and CBS' Epic Records in Nashville signed the group to an exclusive recording contract.

Exile's own albums rose to the top of the charts and the country music community honored them with nominations from the Country Music Association as the Vocal Group of the Year in 1985, 1986, and 1987, and for Instrumental Group of the Year in 1985. The Academy of Country Music has also nominated Exile for the Top Vocal Group in 1983, 1984, and 1985.

As songwriters, member J.P. Pennington and Sonny Lemaire were honored in 1986 with the prestigious BMI Songwriters of the Year award. They have also gathered 22 other pop and country songwriting awards, and Pennington is a two-time recipient of BMI's Millionaire Award which honors songs which have received one million radio airings.

Ice Capades Coming To Springfield

This year's rainbow-splashed edition of Ice Capades, "Return to Romance," will begin an eight-day engagement at the Springfield Civic Center on Wednesday, October 12th, at 7:30 p.m. Additional performances are October 13th at 7:30 p.m.; October 14th at 7:30 p.m.; October 15th at 11:30 a.m., 3:30 p.m., and 7:30 p.m.; and Sunday, October 16th, at 1:00 p.m., and 5:00 p.m.

Headlining the ice virtuosity of Olympic and World Silver Medalist Elizabeth Manley, as well as that of Olympic Bronze Medalists and three time U.S. Pairs Champions Jill Watson and Peter Oppegard, this season's edition of North America's all-time favorite skating show salutes the exhilaration of love and romance all over the world.

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Christian Recording Artist Coming To Ag.

The Agawam Clergy Association, in cooperation with Toms for the Sage Christian Bookstore, Feeding Hills, is proud to present Bobby Michaels, in concert at the Agawam High School, Saturday, October 1st, at 7:00 p.m.

Mr. Michaels, now a Christian recording artist, was once the youngest vocalist with the Tommy Dorsey Orchestra, headlining at night clubs and private parties for people like Bob Hope and Susan Ford. In 1977, however, Bobby found himself not a star, but a failure in a Fort Worth drug detox program. Eventually, he came to grips with his addiction, and, searching for peace, came to a deep and lasting faith in Christ.

Since that time, Mr. Michaels has devoted his talents to sharing the good news, particularly in Europe. In addition, he was the first Christian artist in 40 years to appear in mainland China, and has performed in Africa and elsewhere in Asia. His ministry is still primarily based overseas.

But with the release of several albums in the U.S., including the latest, "Time," Mr. Michaels is bringing his message in song to America, and will appear in Agawam as part of a U.S. Tour.

It is a rare and happy occasion when one discovers a Christian Artist who can appeal to all ages. Because of his vast experience overseas and his down-to-earth manner, he is as inspiring a speaker as he is a singer.

Tickets for the October 1st concert are \$2, and can be obtained from any of the Agawam or Feeding Hills churches, or from Toms for the Sage Christian Bookstore, 547 Springfield Street, Agawam. In addition to the ticket price (which will cover concert expenses), a "love offering" will be taken at the concert to support Mr. Michaels' ministry.

Further information about the concert may be obtained by calling 786-1826.

Auditions Slated At Bay Path For Production Of "Can-Can"

The Theatre Arts Department of Bay Path Junior College will hold auditions for male actors, singers, and dancers on Monday and Tuesday, September 19th and 20th, at 7:00 p.m., in Mills Theatre, Carr Hall, on the Longmeadow campus.

Cast members are needed for Bay Path's November 1988 production of the rousing and tuneful Cole Porter musical, *Can-Can*.

For more information, please call Paul C. Norton, theatre director, at the college, 567-0621.

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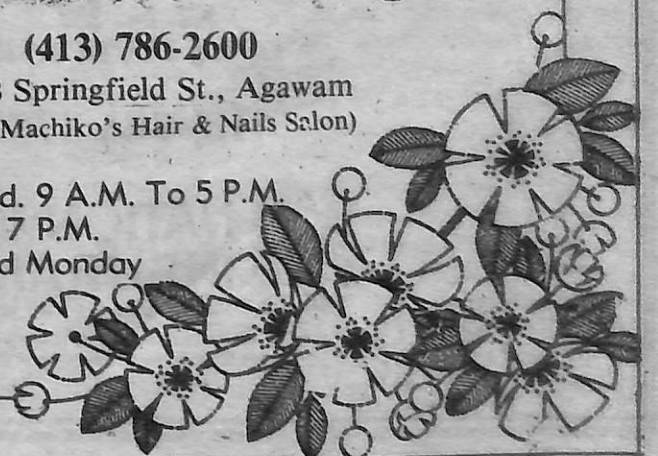
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If you live in a Victorian home, the color you paint your house can make a difference. "The preservation movement has encouraged people to ask questions," says Roger Moss, a nationally known expert on Victorian colors. Moss will be presenting a lecture, "Painting the Town Victorian: How to Choose Historical Colors," on Wednesday, September 21st, at 7:00 p.m. The lecture will take place in the auditorium of the Museum of Fine Arts.

Moss will discuss how to select and apply historical-ly appropriate paint colors that will enhance the beauty and value of a house. He added, "The color movement is a reaction to houses themselves; they just didn't look right painted white."

Moss and his wife, Gail Caskey Winkler, wrote the book, *Victorian Exterior Decoration* as an answer to all the people who ask, "What did people in the Victorian era actually use?"

Moss is the Executive Director of the Athenaeum of Philadelphia, an independent research library founded in 1814 which specializes in Victorian architecture and decoration. He is an officer of the Victorian Society in America, a former director of several historic houses, and an adjunct professor in the Historic Preservation Program at the University of Pennsylvania.

His books include *Century of Color* (1981), and with his wife, Gail Winkler, *Victorian Interior Decoration* (1987). Dr. Moss has served as a consultant for several city historic district commissions that have developed guidelines for historic color use, and he assisted two national paint manufacturers in developing lines of historical paint colors.

The lecture by Roger Moss is open to the public at \$5.50 per person. Please call the Connecticut Valley Historical Museum, 732-3080, for more information.

The Connecticut Valley Historical Museum is supported in part by grants from the Springfield Arts Lottery Council, the Massachusetts Council on the Arts and Humanities, and the Institute of Museum Services. The historical museum is located on the Quadrangle, at the corner of State and Chestnut Streets in downtown Springfield, and is a unit of the Springfield Library and Museums Association.

Coors Gallery Of Women Featured At The Big E

"Coors Gallery of Women," a stunning photographic exhibit of women with fascinating lives, sponsored by the Adolph Coors Company, will be featured at The Big E from September 14-25 in West Springfield, MA.

Located in the New England Center, the exhibit will consist of tall, graceful and softly lit plexiglass panels containing photographs of women's faces, sensitive enough to tell a story without words. Women from both the past and present are honored for their contributions to the arts, health, sciences, sports and government. "We Are You," is the theme used for the exhibit about women who have set high goals for their lives, encouraged other women towards independence and made the world better for others.

The exhibit, which has appeared at the Minnesota State Fair, the National Association of Museums, and the Chicago Daley Center, honors the accomplishments of women such as Sarah Caldwell, for founding The Opera Company of Boston; Isadora Duncan, for liberating dance forms of the 20th century; Anne Turbano-Malone, for developing a line of black cosmetics; Sara Josephine Baker, for reducing infant mortality; Ada Deer, for reestablishing a Wisconsin Indian tribe and Amelia Earhart, for being the first woman to the pillar a plane across the Atlantic.

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Suffield Players Rehearsing Fall Production



THE SECRET IS OUT - The Suffield Players are in rehearsal for their fall production, "The Curate Shakespeare As You Like It." From left - Margie Secora of Southwick, and Ed Gogulski and Lisa Parker of Suffield share one of the few quiet moments in this bawdy, take-off of the Bard's classic comedy. The run is scheduled for October 13th, 14th, 15th, 21st, 22nd, 28th, and 29th, and November 4th and 5th. Tickets may be reserved after September 14th, by calling Pioneer Answering Service, 627-5749.

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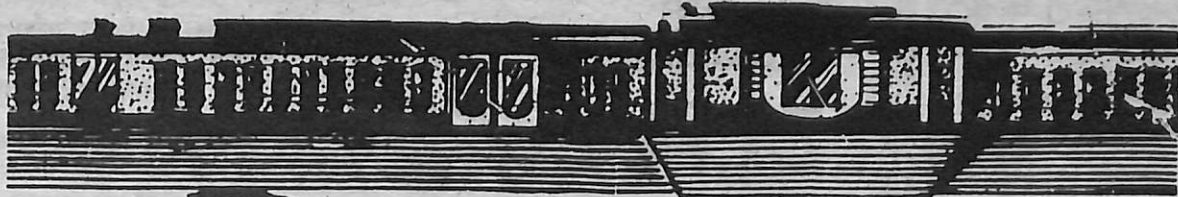
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AEA Opens School With Assembly



THE AGAWAM EDUCATION kicked-off the school year on Tuesday, September 6th, with its Annual Assembly in the Junior High auditorium. In photo left, American Field Service (AFS) students at Agawam High are waiting to be introduced to the teachers - Jessika Tillander, Aylin Pervane (Turkey), and Nancy Jera (Paraguay). Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.



SCHOOL DEPARTMENT Personnel at the opening assembly of the Agawam Education Association. From left - Donald Charest, associate superintendent of schools; Timothy Murphy, School Committee; Renee Jury, administrative assistant; and Dian Curran, executive secretary, front office. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Gail Conlon Elected To Education Council

The Agawam Parents Advisory Council for Special Education is pleased to announce the election in June of Gail Conlon to the Greater Springfield Education Council.

The Massachusetts Board of Education will officially appoint Mrs. Conlon at their September meeting.

Ann Shumer, director of the Greater Springfield Education Center, recently notified Mrs. Conlon of her election to the Education Council, which acts in an advisory position to the Board of Education and to the Regional Center Staff. The Council will be actively participating in the issues of fiscal support for education as well as the next phases of educational reform.

Mrs. Conlon is currently a member of the Regional Advisory Council for Special Education, vice chairwoman of the Agawam P.A.C., served as P.A.C. chairwoman for two years, and is a parent advocate for children in special education.

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Class Of 1988 Wastes No Time Showing Spirit



GALS IN THE AGAWAM HIGH Class of 1988 wasted no time on the first day of school exhibiting their school spirit by donning t-shirts spelling-out the Senior Class. From left - Cindy Jochim, Shelley Morris, Denise Wands, Missy DesRosiers, Christina Morassi, Karen McCarthy, Amy Schroeder, Tracey Sitek, Hollie Nading, and Kim Zielinski. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Bruno Introduces New Staff Members

by Iris Copson
School Dept. Editor

Superintendent of Schools James V. Bruno, Jr., welcomed seven new teachers to the Agawam Public School system this year. Tuesday, September 6th, Agawam educators convened for an organizational meeting at the Agawam Junior High School auditorium where principals from the appropriate school introduced the new staff members.

The assembly was very brief, lasting only 45 minutes. "Our aim was to expedite this assembly to comply with teachers' requests to get into their buildings and into their classrooms," Bruno said.

Principal Thomas E. O'Keefe was happy to include **Barbara Connery** as a full-time resource teacher at the Junior High this year. Mrs. Connery has been a resource aide in Agawam in the past. **Deborah Morassi**, who was a practice teacher at Agawam High School, will become part of the Science Department staff at the Junior High this year also.

Anne Brennan for motor development, and **Moira Fitzgerald** and **Patricia LaBelle** as speech therapists, will primarily work at the elementary level. "Ms. Brennan was a practice teacher at Robinson Park Elementary

School and the Agawam High School," said Bruno.

Principal John A. Morrissey of AHS was pleased to announce the inclusion of **Amelia Rogers** to the Foreign Language Department as an Italian instructor.

Jennifer Duffy will join Principal Ralph A. Zavarella's Agawam Middle School staff as a resource teacher this year.

"There is a basic change in the Middle School and Junior High School collaboratives housed at each which were run by the collaborative last year. This year the collaborative will be run by the Agawam Schools," Bruno said.

He continued, "There are not a lot of changes occurring this year. Most of the transitional period took place last year with grade level changes at the elementary, middle and junior high schools. Five minutes more of instructional time was added in the afternoon this year. Last year five minutes were added in the morning.

"We hope everything goes smoothly as planned for the opening of school this year," Bruno concluded.

Agawam Schools' Lunch Menu

Monday, September 19th: Steamed frankfort in roll, oven baked beans, buttered green beans, chilled pears in syrup, milk.

Tuesday, September 20th: Oven baked steak nuggets, whipped potatoes, buttered niblet corn, chocolate cake with icing, milk.

Wednesday, September 21st: Rotini macaroni with meatsauce, creamy cole slaw, buttered garlic bread, spiced apple sauce or jello with topping, milk.

Thursday, September 22nd: Grilled cheese sandwich or peanut butter sandwich, pickle chips, buttered carrots, fruit cup, or vanilla pudding with topping, milk.

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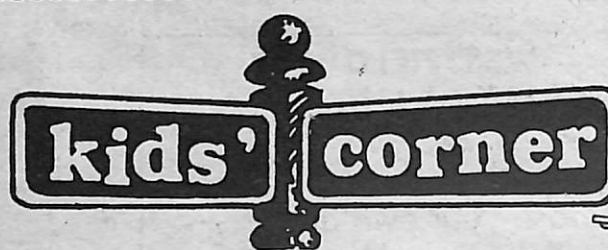
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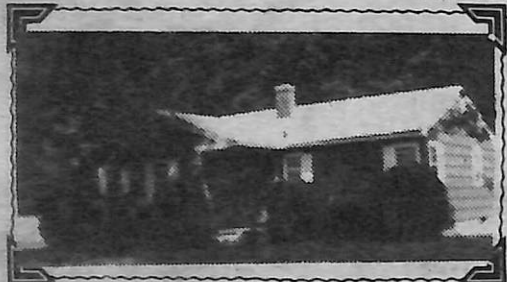
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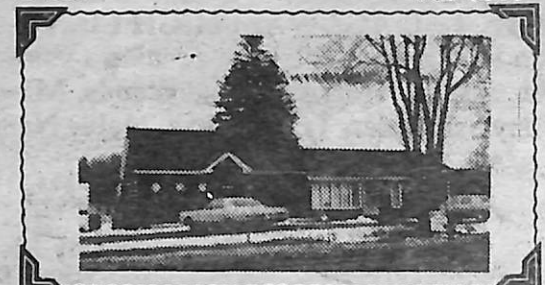
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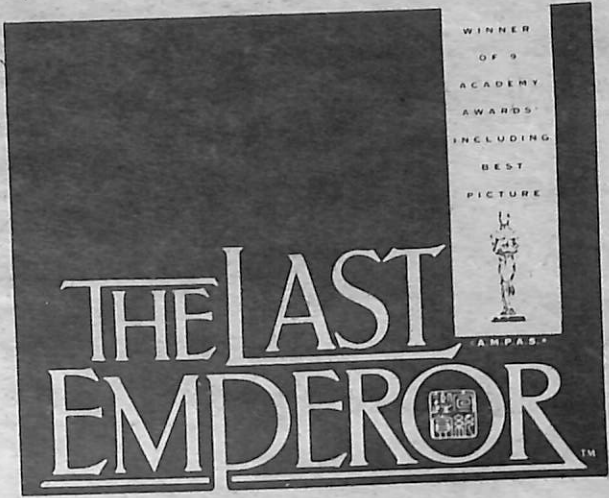
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SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS who were missed during our big "Back To School Edition" on August 31st were, from left - Kevin Littlefield, assistant principal, Junior High; Mary Charest, assistant principal, Agawam High; and Darcy Davis, director of Music, Agawam Schools. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.

Advertiser News Assists In Literacy Campaign

Lieutenant Governor Evelyn F. Murphy, senior executives from the print and broadcast media, including *The Agawam Advertiser News*, throughout Massachusetts, and literacy professionals joined Commonwealth Literacy Campaign (CLC) director Gerry D'Amico at USA Cinemas Copley Place in Boston to challenge the print and broadcast media to invest in literacy.

"As we move toward the year 2000, we must recognize that adult illiteracy challenges our state's economy and the strength of our communities," said Lieutenant Governor Murphy.

"Like business and labor, the media has a large stake in a more literate Massachusetts," added D'Amico.

Governor Michael S. Dukakis established the CLC to help bring down the barrier of economic opportunity facing adults with poor literacy skills through an ambitious agenda that includes a volunteer literacy corps.

The CLC's outreach campaign was unveiled before senior media executives gathered to discuss their role in the battle to fight illiteracy.

Led by WGBH Director of Outreach Carol Obertubbesing, who also co-chairs the Massachusetts Coalition for Adult Literacy, a panel of seven presented examples of projects that both print and broadcast media can implement to help overcome adult illiteracy in the communities they serve.

The panel included Capital Cities/ABC President

James Duffy, creator of the national Project Literacy U.S. (PLUS) campaign, and Ron Goldwyn, whose "Savvy Reader" current events column in the *Philadelphia Daily News* is written for adult learners.

Others included representatives from Boston's WCVB-TV 5, *The Worcester Telegram and Gazette*, WGGW-TV 40 in Springfield, and WTAG-AM in Worcester.

The event marked the launching of the Commonwealth Literacy Corps' campaign to enlist new volunteers interested in tutoring adult learners. The group previewed a 60-second public service announcement, which will be shown on USA Cinemas screens across the Bay State beginning this week.

The public service announcement, also edited for television, aims to recruit volunteers for the Commonwealth Literacy Corps. "Start a new chapter in somebody's life," challenges the narrator of the spot, actor Avery Brooks, also known as "Hawk" in the television series *"Spenser: For Hire."*

"The advertising campaign's creative approach was to communicate the message in a dignified manner," explained Peter A. Kostopoulos, president of Chalfin, Kostopoulos & Gilmore, the Boston Advertising agency

that created the public service announcement.

"Rather than make the viewer feel sorry for illiterate adults, the ad focuses on simply communicating the practical disadvantages of being unable to read," said Kostopoulos.

In addition to USA Cinemas' support to the Literacy Corps, television and radio stations were encouraged to broadcast public service announcements and newspapers were asked to run print ads to help in the volunteer recruitment effort.

The MBTA has already agreed to devote space in trains, buses and terminals for posters that publicize the Commonwealth Literacy Corps' toll free number for volunteers and learners, the new logo, and the slogan "Start a new chapter in somebody's life."

"Mass media has a most crucial role in combatting adult illiteracy," emphasized D'Amico. "Running the Literacy Corps ads is a start, but more importantly, we hope to see more newspapers and broadcast groups taking the lead in developing and supporting projects to combat adult illiteracy in their communities."

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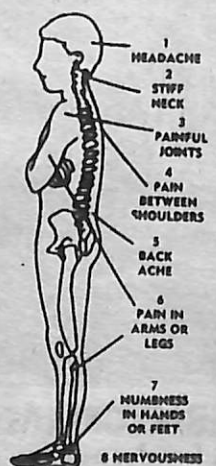
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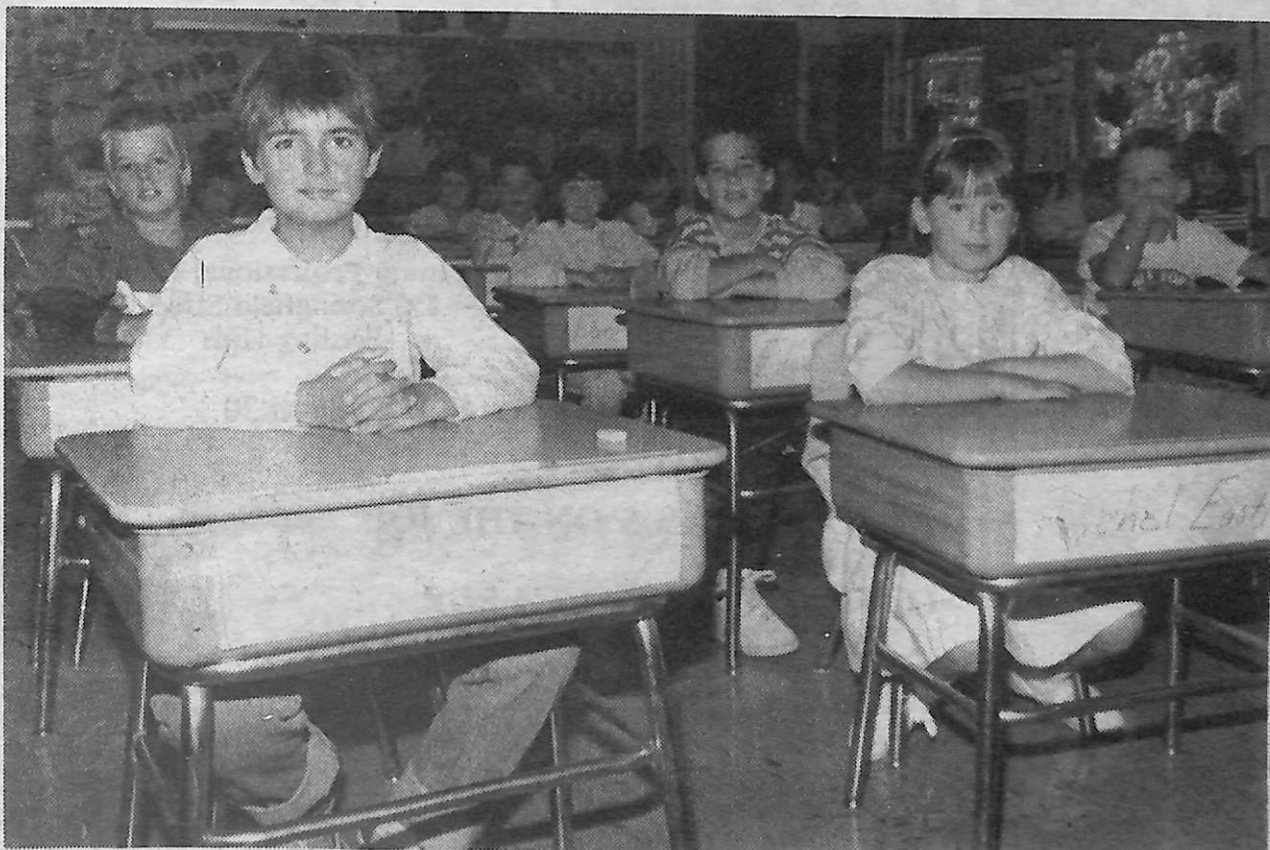
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JASON MACKAY and TIFFANY SCHWEIN are Room 3 students in Miss Bellico's class at Phelps School. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



NEW ROOM 2 students at Granger School are Heather Green and Janice Balicki. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



ERIC CHAMPAGNE and RACHEL EASTLAKE are all set to begin a new school year as members of Room 5 at Granger School. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



WAITING PATIENTLY for the school bus to arrive on the first day of school at Danny Lane are David Murphy, Shauna Nacewicz, and Paul Braccialarghe. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



CLARK SCHOOL youngsters line-up outside on the first day of school. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

...(continued) The First Day Of School!!!



HAIL, HAIL THE GANG'S ALL HERE for another school year. Students line-up outside of Clark Elementary School. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



SARAH HILL, SHANNON FIELD, and BRAD THERIAQUE take-up residence in Room 3 at Phelps School for the new school year. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



AT THE BUS STOP - student await the arrival of the school year's first bus at Riviera Drive, off River Road. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



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KINDERGARTEN STUDENTS at Phelps School on the very first day - James Wisniewski, Kimberly Smith, Aimee Piccin, Benjamin Peltier, and Rebecca Nacewicz. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

AFS Students At AHS AEA Sets 1988-89 Goals At Annual Assembly

by Iris Copson
School Dept. Editor



AMERICAN FIELD SERVICE students who are attending Agawam High School this year as seniors on a one-year exchange program are Jessika Tillander (Sweden-standing), Aylin Pervane (Turkey-left), and Nancy Jera (Paraguay). Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

The Agawam Education Association (AEA) met on Tuesday, September 6th, to discuss their preparations for the new school year and the AEA changes voted on for this year.

President Gail Dion presided over the meeting and told the AEA that local dues were increased along with Massachusetts Teachers Association (MTA) dues. "There will be an increase in dues across the board," she said.

"Some of the most important issues of teachers in Massachusetts were recently discussed by MTA. There were 10 total concerns," Mrs. Dion said. "Salaries were overwhelmingly the greatest concern. We (MTA) are working on a five-year plan for membership compensation."

The first year activities for the MTA Compensation Project, which was approved at the 1988 MTA Annual Meeting of Delegates, is designed to meet both local and state needs while pursuing the goal of increasing members' compensation over the next five years.

Major goal areas identified for the project are collective bargaining, public relations, legislation, networking, and educational perspectives. Research at both the local and state levels will be implemented to address these major goal areas, as well as refine and

focus goals for future years.

Mrs. Dion said, "Judi Lech, Miriam Mackler, Larry O'Brien (all faculty in Agawam Schools), and myself have been working on a handbook about the contract and its language. It is being printed up for distribution."

She continued, "There was a great amount of information about education that does not exist. The MTA plans to do a great amount of research on this."

Surveys on activity plans by the AEA, information for the AEA Service Directory, an In-Service Needs Assessment, and a Teacher's Telephone Directory were distributed at the meeting and asked to be submitted at the conclusion. Mrs. Dion said, "It is my hope that we can develop ourselves as an association this year."

She added, "I have been very happy with the participation in the association in the past. I would be very happy to see even more."

"We give out the largest amount of money for scholarship funds in the Town; but with 300 members, I would like to see a way to increase that amount this year."

James Clark PTO Schedules First General Meeting

On Tuesday, September 20th, James Clark P.T.O. will hold its first general meeting for the 1988-89 school year. All parents are invited to come to the school cafeteria between 6:30 and 7:30 p.m., for refreshments and to meet the new board. New parents are especially encouraged to come. Suggestions for the new year will be welcomed. The general meeting will begin at 7:00 p.m.

Guest speaker for the meeting will be Gloria Kenny, Curator of Education at the Springfield Science Museum. The title of her presentation is, "What's Behind the Mummy's Hand?" She will discuss programs available to the school and coming attractions at the Science Museum.

The James Clark P.T.O. extends an open invitation to all who would care to attend. Ms. Kenny will begin speaking after the general meeting at 7:30 p.m.

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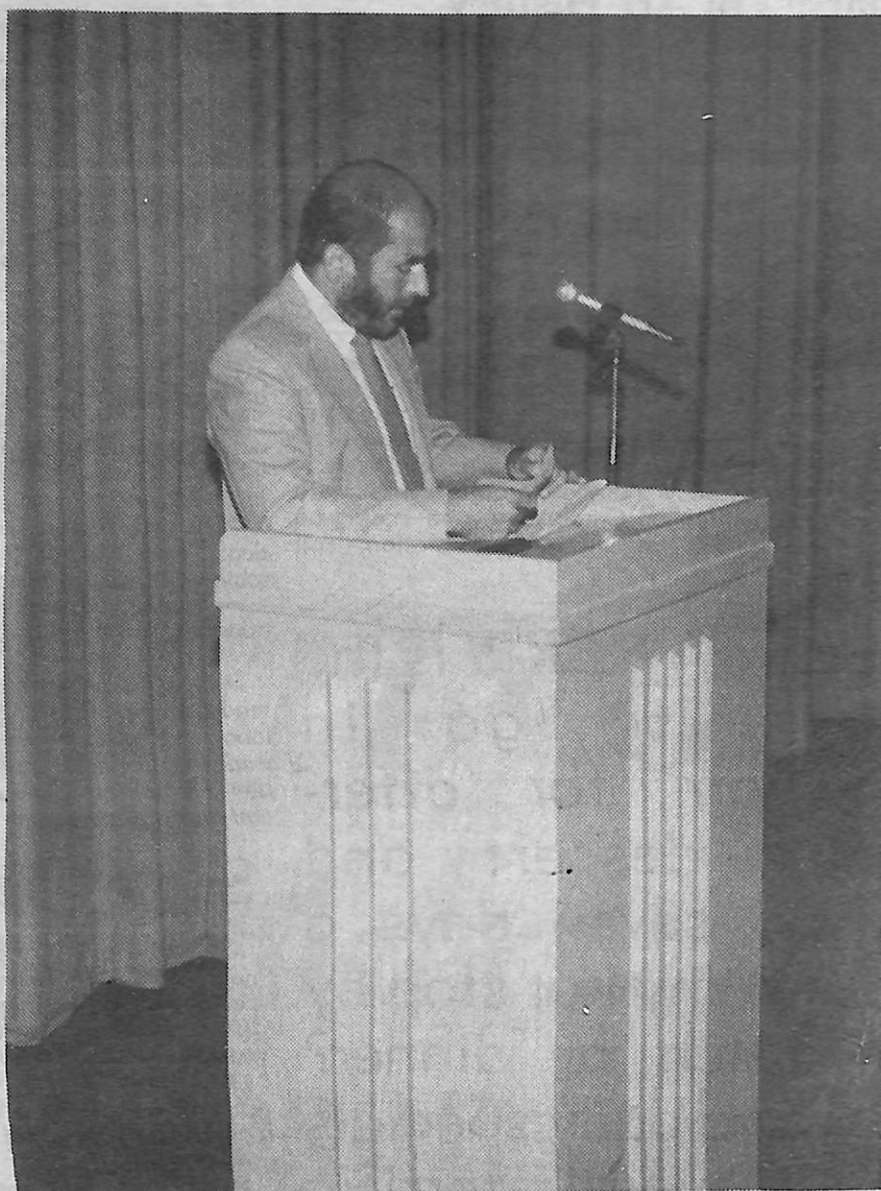
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"Friends Of Education Gather To Honor Morassi



THREE OF THE PAST WINNERS of the Agawam Education Association's "Friend of Education Award," from left - Richard M. Sardella, Renee Piccoli, and Susan Pettazzoni, joined 1988 recipient, Attorney Richard C. Morassi, for a luncheon last week. Morassi received his award on Tuesday, September 6th, at an AEA Assembly. (Related Story & Picture On Page 1 - Story Continued On Page 40). Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



ATTORNEY RICHARD C. MORASSI, the 1988 recipient of the Agawam Education Association's Annual "Friend of Education Award," addresses the school system's teachers at their Annual Assembly the day before the official start of school. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



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The class runs on Monday afternoons from 3:30 to 5:00 p.m., beginning on October 3rd and ending on December 5th. For registration information, call 733-4214.

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MORASSI RECEIVES AEA AWARD - continued from P. 1...

The Parent-Teacher-Student Organization (PTSO) had a "modestly successful start last year," according to Morassi. "One of the things they were involved in was the move of the Special Needs class to the first floor at AHS.

"Superintendent James Bruno, AHS Principal John Morrissey and, most especially, Industrial Arts teacher (at AHS) Tom Collins, and Town Building Maintenance Tony Albro went the extra mile to make this move possible. They put in the extra effort on top of their other responsibilities to see the task through to completion," he said.

"If it was known what such a move might mean to Tom Collins prior to its occurrence, it might not have been asked at all," Morassi said.

Morassi initially became involved with special education at AHS when Lisa Chambers, AHS collaborative instructor, and her class attended a pep rally last year and he was asked for some assistance.

"The first 16 years of my life were as a Shriner's patient," said Morassi. "I have always been more comfortable with special needs children than most people."

He added, "This opened the way for me to listen to addressing their needs."

During his acceptance of the prestigious award, he read a letter in part from the parents of an AHS collaborative student last year which said, "His joy, (the student's) sadness, and understanding (at the graduation ceremonies) told us he understood the most important accomplishment in life—mission accomplished!"

Morassi's deep emotion and commitment was portrayed to the audience as a slight tremor in his deep voice escaped when he read, "We (the parents) are so proud and pleased to hear that we are moving to the first floor of AHS. We are so very proud of our sons and daughters."

Early this week Morassi said, "There was an assembly (at AHS) on Friday discussing the move of the collaborative."

"By this time next year I fully expect the collaborative class to be a fully integrated life-supporting part of the AHS community. This is why this situation needs to be addressed now."

He continued, "I read the letter at my acceptance speech because I felt it brought in the meaning of education, its value and what it can deliver."

"It (the collaborative) is really not divorced from the thrust of education as a whole. Education does not apply to every student in the same way. The skill of delivering those opportunities becomes the objective," he said.

"That is what we are trying to do as a community. We must help them (students) cope with their environment—whatever it is," said Morassi.

A former graduate of AHS, Morassi resides with his wife, Linda, and daughter, Christina, a senior at AHS, on Maynard Street. He is a former coach of AAA, a member of the Football Booster Club, and was a long-time assistant town solicitor in Agawam.

He was also a prime mover in the purchase of the approximately 32-acre former Agawam Y property by the town that became Perry Lane Park.

September Family Month At Laughing Brook

Massachusetts Audubon Society's Laughing Brook Education Center, Hampden, invites you to observe the spectacle of hawk migration, paddle down the lovely Quinebog River, get the best view of Mars in over 15 years, or to take part in a twilight walk for families lit by the Harvest Moon. Registrations are currently being accepted for these adult and family programs. Pre-registration is required three days in advance of each program.

Hawk And Hawkwatching, Friday, September 9th, from 7:30 to 9:00 p.m., and Saturday, September 10th, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Each September thousands of hawks can be seen soaring overhead as they migrate to their wintering grounds. Learn the basics of hawkwatching during this two-part program. On Friday evening, Massachusetts Audubon Master Naturalist Tom Tynning will introduce the natural history and field marks of local raptors. The Saturday field trip to Mt. Tom will provide an excellent vantage point for observing migrating hawks. Participants must be at least 12 years-old. Fees for the series are \$12 for Massachusetts Audubon members, and \$15 for non-members.

Canoeing The Quinebog, Saturday, September 17th, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The Quinebog River meanders through field, forest, and farmland as

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Behold The Planets, Friday, September 23rd, 7:30 p.m. Join local astronomers Dave Gallup, Jack Megaw and Richard Sanderson to observe a very special celestial event. Mars, Saturn, and Jupiter will be visible in the nighttime sky with Mars at its closest approach to Earth since 1971. A brief indoor introduction will be followed by an outdoor viewing session. Fees for the program are \$3 for Massachusetts Audubon members and \$4 for non-members.

Shine On Harvest Moon, Sunday, September 25th, from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. Celebrate the Harvest Moon, the full moon nearest to the autumnal equinox, by taking part in this family program. A moonlit walk will end with a campfire sing-a-long and harvest treats. Fees for the program are \$3 for Massachusetts Audubon members and \$4 for non-members.

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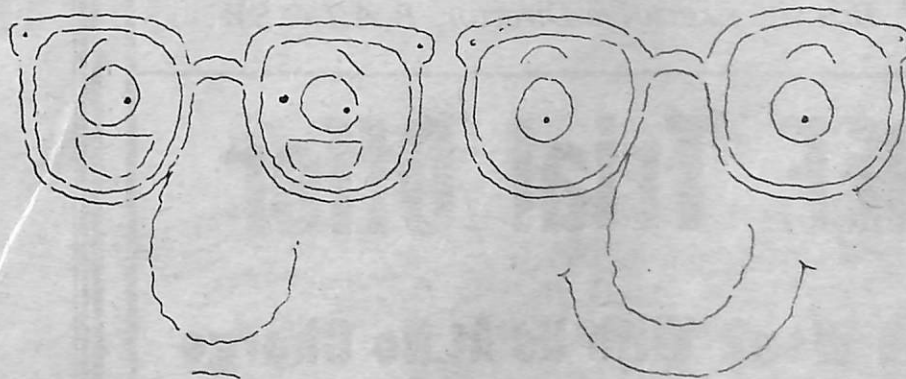
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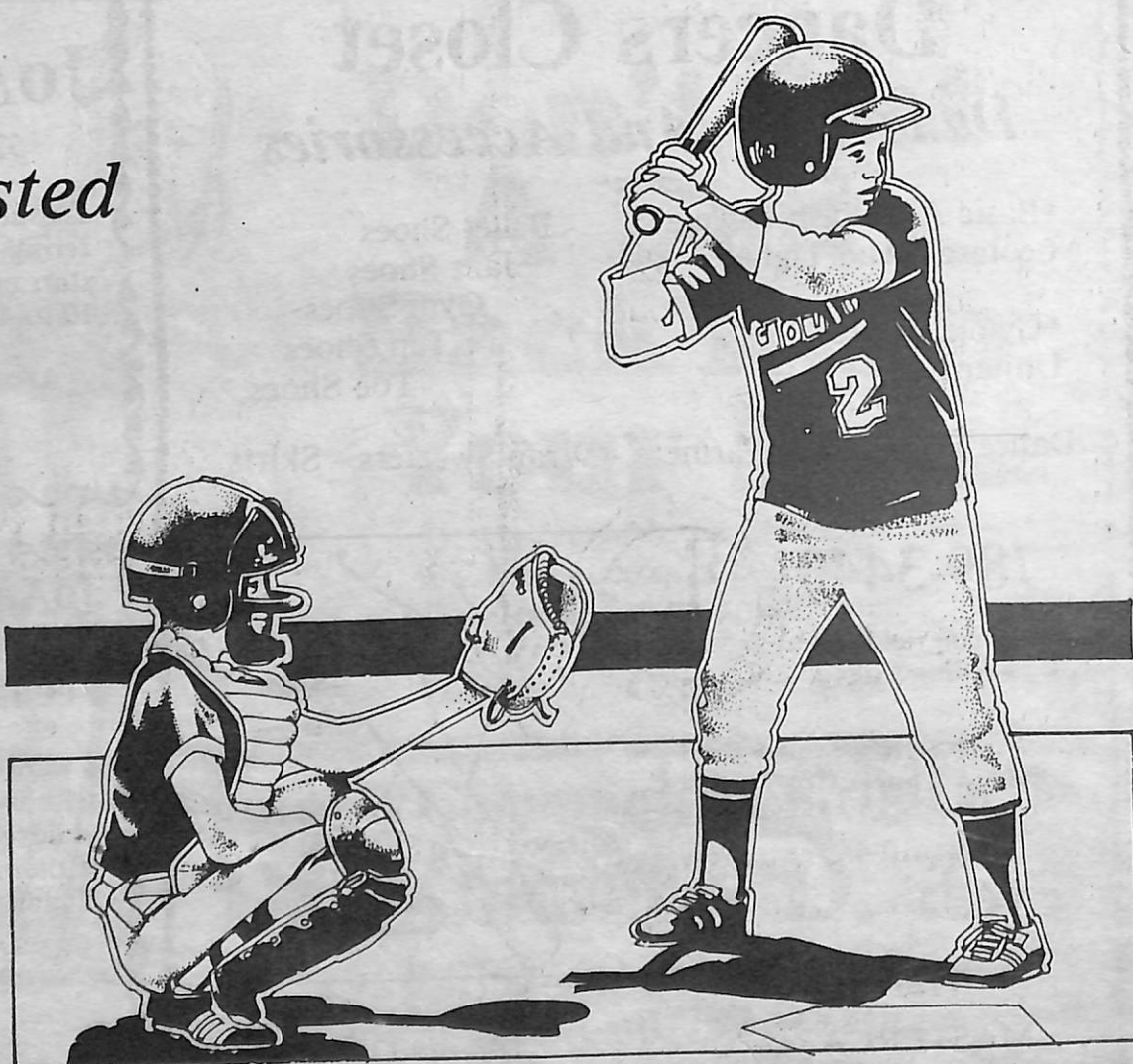
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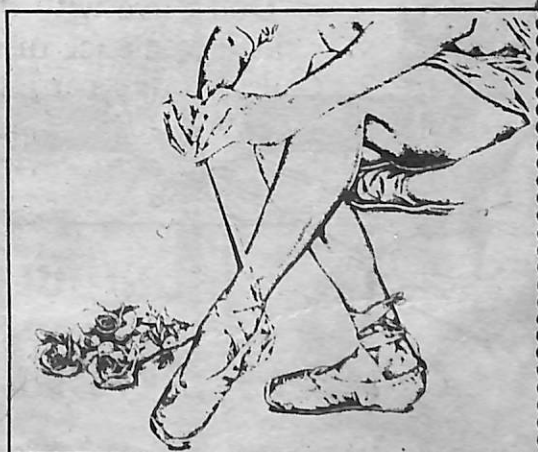
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Depth Again Poses Big Headache For AHS Harriers

by Michael S. Sardella
Advertiser News Sports Editor

Depth. In a sport such as cross country, it's imperative.

Without this, a team will be defeated meet in and meet out. With it, a team is guaranteed to be consistently competitive. Unfortunately for the 1988 Agawam High cross country team, depth is not one of its strong points, and the result may be another rather long season in the league standings.

Despite four returners and a new and ambitious coach at the helm, the Brownie harriers appear headed for a repeat of last year's 1-10 mark. If the team does have something going for it, it's motivation and enthusiasm.

First-year coach Mike LaZazzera, no stranger to Agawam sports, finds himself inheriting a program that needs rebuilding, but as his track record proves, LaZazzera is up to the challenge.

A current student at Springfield College majoring in health/education, LaZazzera is a former three-sport star at AHS. The 1983 graduate is one of the all-time leading scorers in AHS hockey history, and was an All Western Mass. selection in two sports - hockey and track.

LaZazzera's coaching career has steadily progressed ever since he was interested in working with teenagers in athletics. He coached the AHS junior varsity hockey team for two years, the junior high soccer team for two years, an assistant track coach at AHS for two years under the successful Gus Young, and is current coach of the AHS boys' track team.

Also, LaZazzera is now an assistant hockey coach at Westfield State College, and was the director of the town's Perry Lane Park Summer Camp for the past two years.

This guy keeps busy.

When talking about this year's cross country team, LaZazzera says, "Despite not having the kind of depth you need in a sport like this, the team will be giving it everything its got. One of our primary goals will be to improve our personal times in each meet. The team realizes it may be a tough season in terms of wins and losses, but they are still enthusiastic and you've got to start somewhere."

The Brownies will be relying on the legs of three returning seniors - Adam Moylan, Jeremy Doran, and Chris Harman to give the team much-needed leadership and motivation.

The 5-7 Moylan is a three-year harrier. He has two years of track experience behind him as well and has run a 4:47 mile. As a senior Moylan is looking to continue to improve.

"Adam is a hard worker, and I'll be looking for big things out of him this year," says LaZazzera. "He should really hold his own."

Doran, a 6-2 three-year runner at AHS, has two years of spring track experience under his belt. He's a natural two-miler so it really helps-out his cross country regimen.

"Jerry is another hard worker and his times should consistently improve. He'll be needed to give us the same leadership as Moylan."

Harman, at six feet even, is a two year harrier for AHS and is another track participant (half-miler).

LaZazzera got a first-hand peek at all three of his seniors last spring in track so he knows what kind of work habits they own.

The final returner on the squad is Heather von Hollander, a sophomore who ran on the team as a freshman last year. She's an improving runner who also competes on the girls' track team.

The top newcomer for the Brownies this season is Dan Beavis, a sophomore. Beavis lettered in track last spring as a frosh, and even ran a 5:00 mile.

"Dan is a natural long-distance runner but he also has what it takes to be a winner," says LaZazzera. "I'm excited to have him on the team and he should really hold his own with the competition. He's ready to go."

Two other newcomers on the team in 1988 are Mark Mackenzie, a junior, and Amanda Hamel, a junior.

The team's 11-meet season opened on Tuesday, September 13th vs. Putnam Vocational, followed by Minnechaug, Friday, September 16th (home), and Holyoke, Monday, September 19th (away).

Give the Brownies a FAIR outlook for 1988.

Billy & His Captains...



AGAWAM HIGH VARSITY SOCCER COACH Bill O'Brien poses with his 1988 girls' varsity soccer captains - from left - Tracey Sitek, Beth Whittaker, Missy DesRosiers, and Michelle Urbinati. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



JUNIOR VARSITY SOCCER COACH Missy Sullivan (left) and varsity coach Bill O'Brien are pictured with the 1988 JV girls' soccer captains. From left - Dawn Matthews, Marnie Kinney, Tara Vivencio, and Sue Cicchotti. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



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MEMBERS OF THE 1988 Agawam High girls' varsity field hockey team. Back row, from left - coach Cindy Grieve, Shannon Scarlet, Tegan Christy, Amy Schroeder, Shelley Morris, Karen McCarthy, Cindy Jochim, Christina Morassi, Kim Christy, Tammy Rocca, Michelle Finney, Chris Chausse, and student teacher Patti Boyd. Front row - Andrea Parentela, Missy Parentela, Andrea Tobin, Stephanie Milliken, Karen Runshaw, Missy Renaldi, Erica Vanderhoof, and Kristin Godfrey. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Brownies Girls' Field Hockey Wants To Stretch Beyond WM Quarterfinals

by Michael S. Sardella
Advertiser News Sports Editor

With a host of returners, including six seniors, the Agawam High girls' field hockey team will be looking to have another successful fall on the pitch and perhaps use enough intestinal fortitude to thrust them past the Western Mass. quarterfinals.

That's where the Brownies' season has ended both in 1986 and 1987.

The 1988 squad appears to possess the right stuff except depth. The team has nine returners so experience is an area that won't be lacking. The Brownies also have six newcomers on the squad that will definitely lend a hand in the team's attempt to battle such powers as Southwick.

Speaking of the Rams, the locals opened the campaign vs. their highly-touted neighbors before facing Longmeadow High on Friday, September 16th (away). The girls' home opener is slated for Tuesday, September 20th.

"We seem to have a nice combination of experience and new talent this season," says coach Cindy Grieve, now in her fifth year at the helm. "The girls really hungry this year to make some noise in Western Mass., and it can be said now that it will come down to how bad the girls want it. We have the talent, so the desire will be the deciding factor in how far we go."

If anyone has the leverage to assess the field hockey program at AHS, it's Miss Grieve. She helped bring back the sport at the school back in 1984 after several years of dormancy (due to a lack of interest), and is a first-class judge of talent and natural ability in the sport.

Miss Grieve, who also coached the girls' basketball and softball teams for short stints in the past, has seen the program grow since 1984.

After taking its lumps that year as well as in 1985, the team has emerged as one of the area's stronger squads.

In 1986 the girls' dropped a tough, 3-2 battle to Amherst in the WM quarter-finals, and last year lost a heartbreaker to perennial power Southwick, 1-0 (the Rams went on to annex the state title).

"Although we don't have the kind of depth that is

needed in this sport, we must make up for it with heart and conditioning," says Miss Grieve. "The girls are capable of going all the way in the division and in WM, but only if they want to. It's going to be a season-long test for us and hopefully, we'll be up to the challenge."

The Brownies boast three four-year players - senior tri-captains Cindy Jochim, Karen McCarthy, and Amy Schroeder. They are the heart of this 1988 team.

"We've been building the team around them for the past few years. Now it's their turn to shine," notes Miss Grieve. "These three girls have waited a long time for this (their senior year)."

Jochim, who captained the team last year as well, is one of the region's best center halfbacks. She has the experience and leadership that every squad needs.

"Cindy is the main spark on the team and we'll be looking to her to control the midfield for us each

game," explains Miss Grieve.

McCarthy, a link, is both an offensive and defensive player, and will be counted on to do what she does best - run the field and be in on the thick of things.

"Karen can score and play defense for us," says Miss Grieve. "She's in good shape and has some of the better stickwork on the team."

Schroeder, a wing from both sides, was one of the team's top scorers from last year. "Amy is an extremely talented player who combines her smarts for the game with her natural ability," notes Miss Grieve.

Three other crucial performers on this squad are also seniors - Shelley Morris, Christina Morassi, and Michelle Finney - all returnees.

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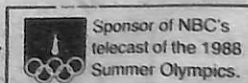


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Morris, who was an honorable mention All-Western Mass. selection with Jochim in 1987, was also one of the team's top scorers. She is a three-year player and will be alternating with Schroeder on the wings.

"Shelley is very coachable and is one of the hardest workers on the team," says Miss Grieve.

Morassi, another three-year player, is a link. She gives the squad 110 percent when she's on the field, and has an attitude that motivates and encourages her teammates - that's very important.

Finney, an understudy to goalie Becky Runshaw the past two years, will probably get some time in the net, as well as anywhere else on the field she may be needed.

Three returning juniors will also play important roles in 1988 - Missy Rinaldi, Karen Runshaw, and Andrea Tobin.

Rinaldi is an outside halfback with speed and confidence to burn. Runshaw is another outside halfback who has improved tremendously from a year ago, and Tobin will be filling the center-forward slot with her nifty offensive ability.

"These three juniors are hungry to do well and they are friends off the field, which really helps out in the long run," says Miss Grieve.

The newcomers who will make their presence known are senior forward Tammy Rocca (missed most of last year with an injury), senior sweeper Kim Christi, junior forward Stephanie Milliken, and frosh Chris Chaussy, Christine Godfrey, and Missy Parentela.

Miss Grieve gives high grades to her three freshmen. "They seem to be as hungry as the seniors. They are very motivated and are willing to do whatever it takes for us to win."

The Brownies got a few pre-season workouts vs. Canton High of Connecticut (state runners-up last year), and a "Play Day" at Harmon Smith Field last Saturday ((11 area teams showed-up).

CAPSULE PREVIEW

COACH: Cindy Grieve, 5th year
LAST YEAR'S RECORD: 9-4-5, Western Mass. quarter-finals

RETURNERS: Seniors - Cindy Jochim, Karen McCarthy, Amy Schroeder, Shelley Morris, Christina Morassi, Michelle Finney; Juniors - Missy Rinaldi, Karen Runshaw, and Andrea Tobin.

PROMISING NEWCOMERS: Seniors - Tammy Rocca, Kim Christi; Junior - Stephanie Milliken; Freshmen - Chris Chaussy, Christine Godfrey, and Missy Parentela.

STRENGTHS: Team attitude, intensity, work habits, experience.

WEAKNESS: not much depth.

OUTLOOK: Good to Very Good.

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TEAM CAPTAINS of the 1988 Agawam High girls' field hockey team include, from left - Amy Schroeder, Karen McCarthy, and Cindy Jochim. At right is Coach Cindy Grieve. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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Agawam High Boys' Soccer Looks For Return To Western Mass. Division I Tournament



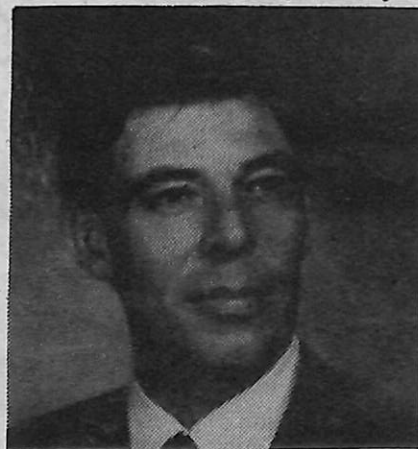
THE AGAWAM HIGH BOYS' varsity soccer team should again be a force in Division I soccer this season under the guidance of coach Dick Cowles (right). The team opened its 1988 campaign with a 2-0 victory over East Longmeadow. Team members are, back row, from left - Travis Hyland, Dave Poggi, Chris LaPlante, Chad Blackak, Todd Vangsness, Chris DiMascola, Chris Brunelle, Chris Caron, Jerry Parrotta, Nino Manes, and Brett Boskiewicz. Front row - Tim Burns, Todd Hyland, Mike Tassinari, Bryan Boutwell, Chad Alechny, Jack Prendergast, Mike Wright, and Mark Romeo. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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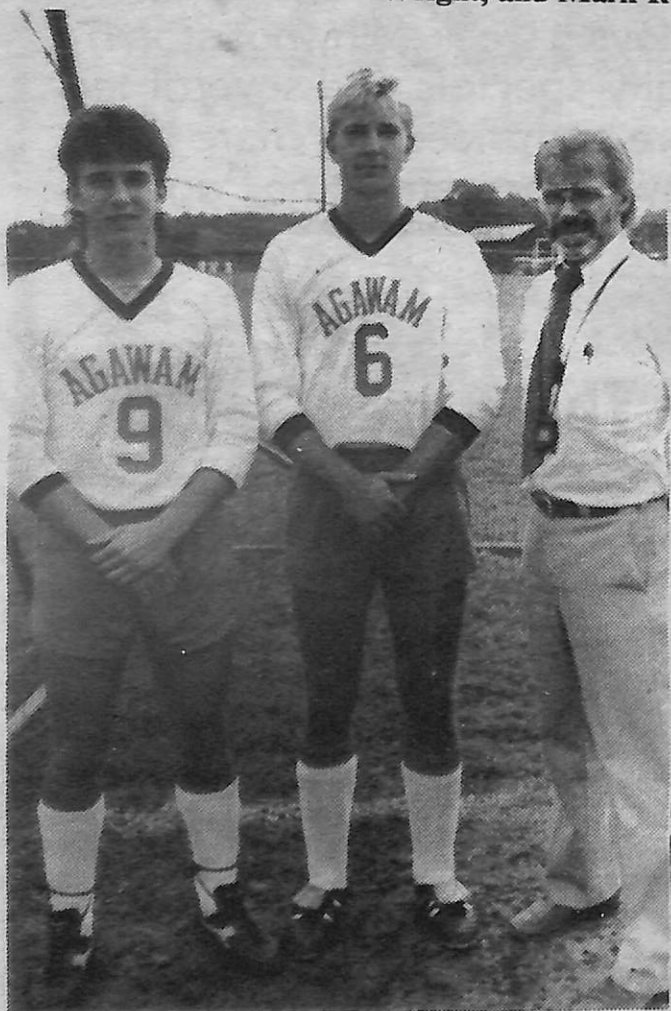
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BRYAN BOUTWELL and CHAD ALECHNY will serve as co-captains of the 1988 boys' varsity soccer team. At right is coach Dick Cowles. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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MEMBERS OF THIS YEAR'S Agawam High School girls' gymnastics team include, front row, from left - Katie McCarthy, Nicole LaPalme, Michelle Willard, Maria Losito, Jill Robb, and Karen Dean. Back row - Coach Laura Benoit, Elizabeth Korza, Kristyne Wage, Sue Lovely, Cheryl Smith, Christine Hotzpeto, and Karen Hanson. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

AHS Girls' Gymnasts Can Look To 1988 With High Hopes

by Michael S. Sardella
Advertiser News Sports Editor

The Agawam High girls' gymnastics team, a group that has taken its share of lumps in the standings umn for the past few years (0-12 last year), is looking to 1988 as a carrier beam for the program - and that's good news to fifth-year coach Laura Benoit.

The Brownies have three major assets this fall - a proven returner - a very promising newcomer, and depth like the team has never had before. This is the basis for Mrs. Benoit's excitement going into 1988.

"I haven't had an enthusiastic group like this one," says the fifth-year coach. "Our depth proves the girls have a big interest in the sport. This really looks like the year that gymnastics will pick-up as a sport in the town. I'm really looking forward to it."

The Brownies have 11 members on this year's squad, which more than doubles last year's total (five). Four of the 11 are returnees, while six of the remaining seven will compete on the varsity level for the first time.

The only performer the team lost to graduation was Kristin Stone, so it appears as though AHS will have a nice combination of experience and incoming energy.

The most noteworthy returner on this year's squad is Maria Losito, a five foot sophomore who nabbed All-Western Mass. status as a freshman last year. Losito, who also excelled as a sprinter on the girls' track team (high point-getter), should continue her rise in regional prominence this year.

Losito excels in the floor and uneven bars. "Maria is a terrific gymnast who will continue to get better over the next few years," says Mrs. Benoit, who was a good gymnast in her own right while at Agawam High. "We really need for Maria to come through with some solid performances. She is the team's catalyst."

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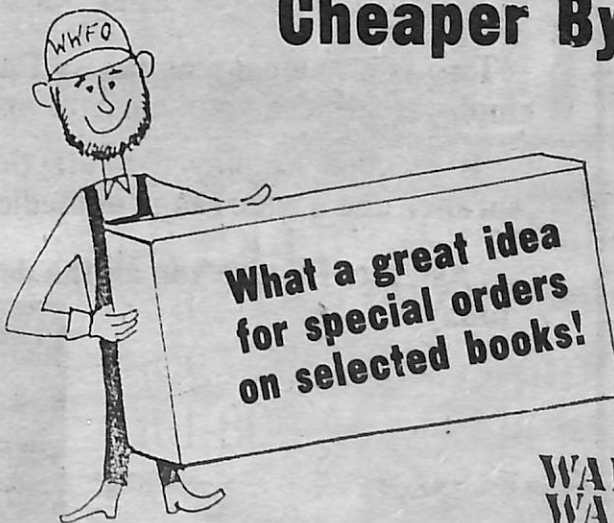
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Another sparkplug on this year's team is senior returner Elizabeth Korza, who seems to be up to her neck in extra-curricular activities (National Honor Society, student member of the Agawam School Committee, among others). Korza's best event is the floor exercise.

Speaking about her senior captain, Mrs. Benoit says, "Elizabeth is a good all-around gymnast and she should get some points for us this year. She's the team motivator and will keep the girls working hard every day."

The team's two other returners are senior Kristyne Wage and junior Nicole LaPalme. Wage, a band member and an excellent dancer, prospers in the floor exercise. LaPalme, one of last season's steady performers, is strong in the floor exercise as well.

The brightest newcomer on the year's team appears to be Kathryn McCarthy, a petite freshman who has the ability to score big for the locals each meet. McCarthy has been performing at New England Gymnastics in Agawam for a few years and the benefits of this will be felt by the AHS program.

"Kathryn has some strong experience in gymnastics and she really knows what she's doing out there. The floor exercise appears to be her strongest event, and we'll be looking for big things from her this year," says Mrs. Benoit.

Two other newcomers who appear to have what it takes to make an immediate impact on the team are senior Michelle Willard and junior Karen Hanson.

Willard, who was on the squad as a freshman three years ago, is an all-around performer, but her strongest event seems to be the floor exercise. Hanson, who has some artistic dancing experience, also boasts a solid floor exercise.

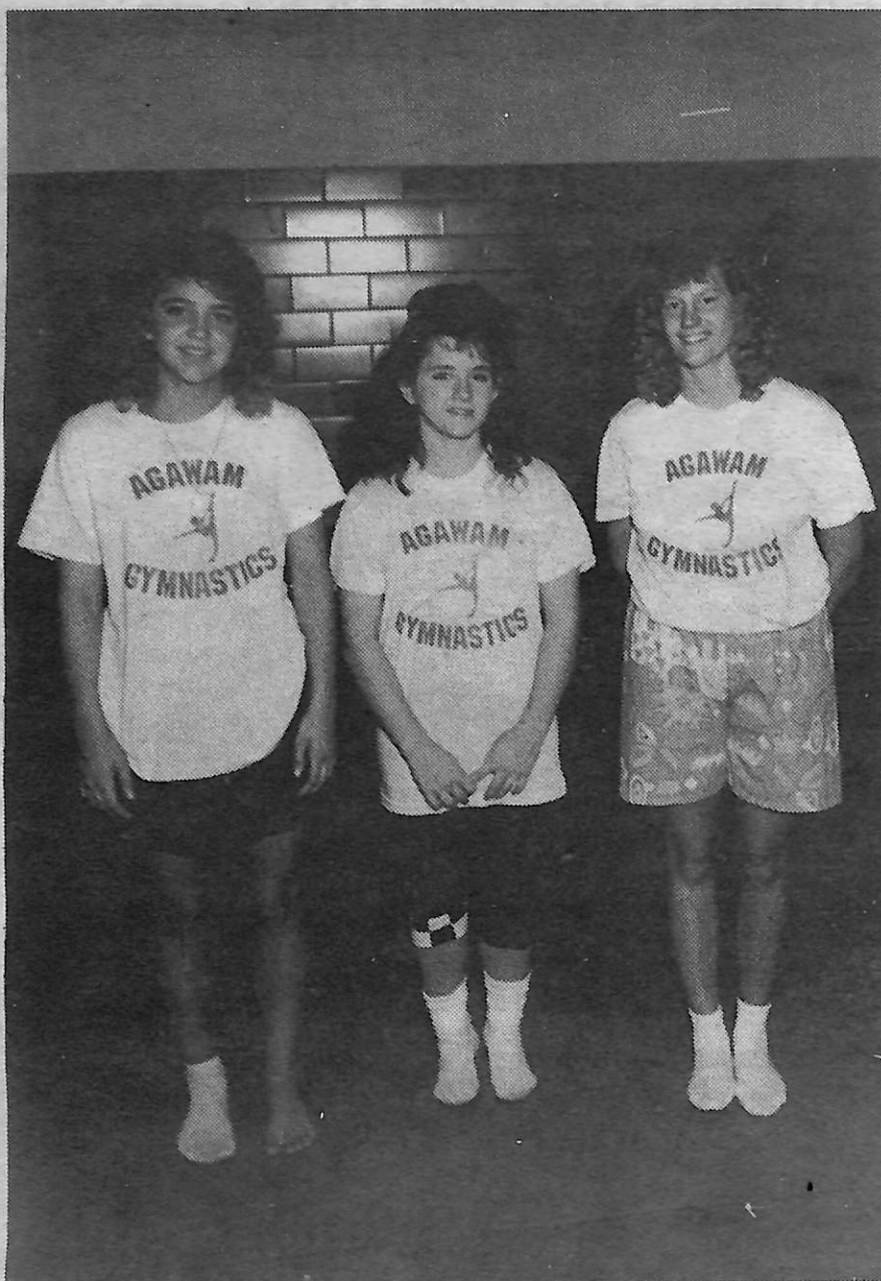
The four remaining returners on the squad are freshman Jill Robb (floor, bars), Sue Lovely (floor, vaulting), Cheryl Smith (floor, bar), and Christine Hotzipeto (floor).

"The girls have been working hard since the first day and I have already seen some improvements," notes Mrs. Benoit. "It should be a fun year for us."

The Brownies' 14-meet season opens on Friday, September 16th, vs. Central High (home), followed by Holyoke, Tuesday, September 20th (home). The locals will compete in Division II this season.

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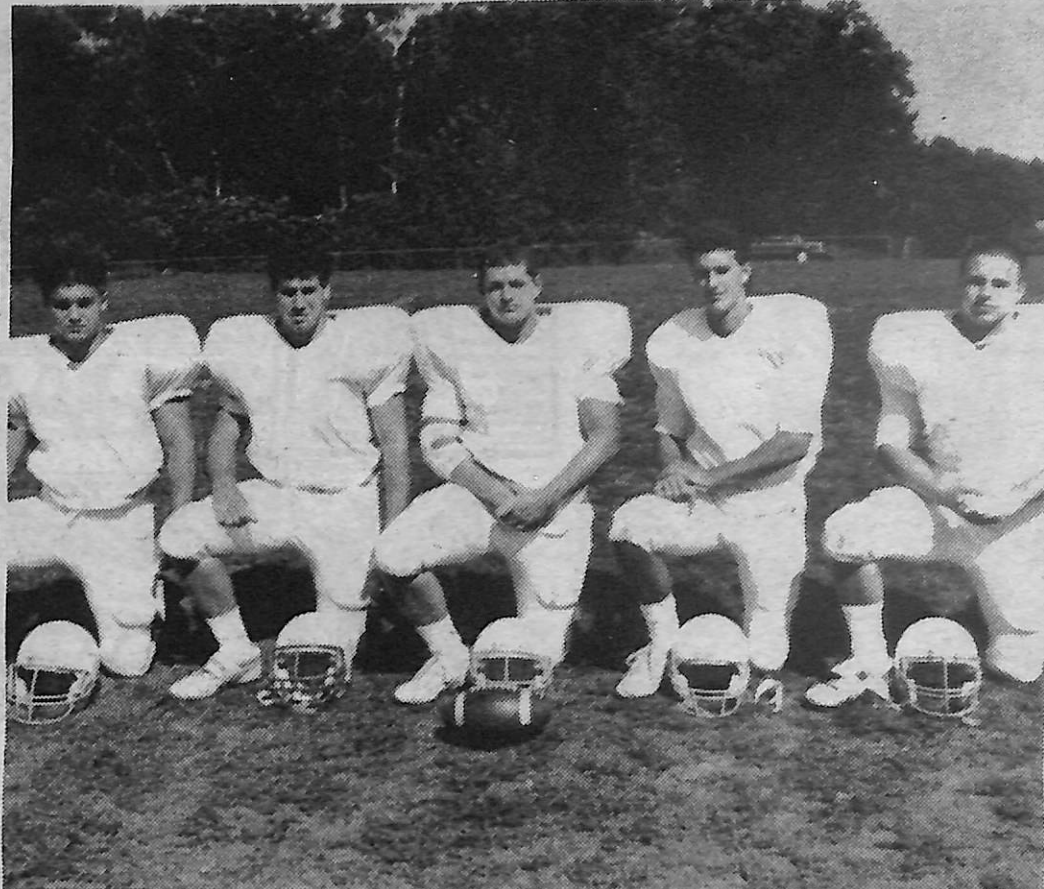
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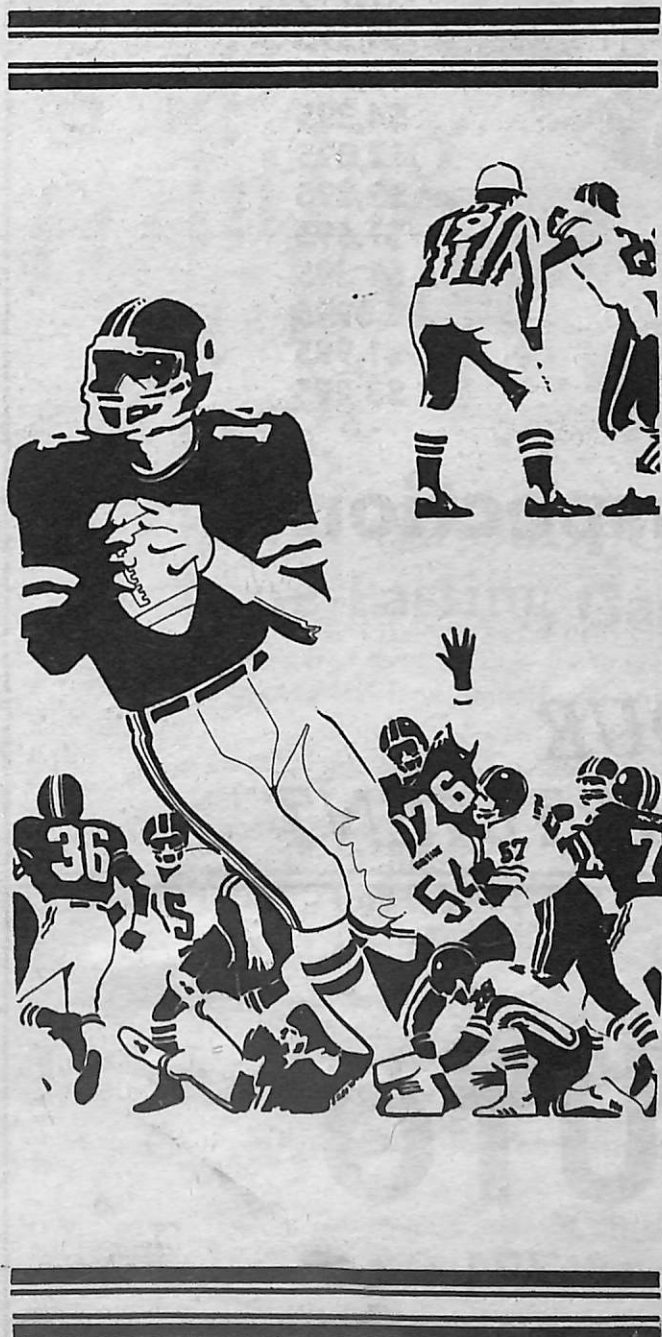
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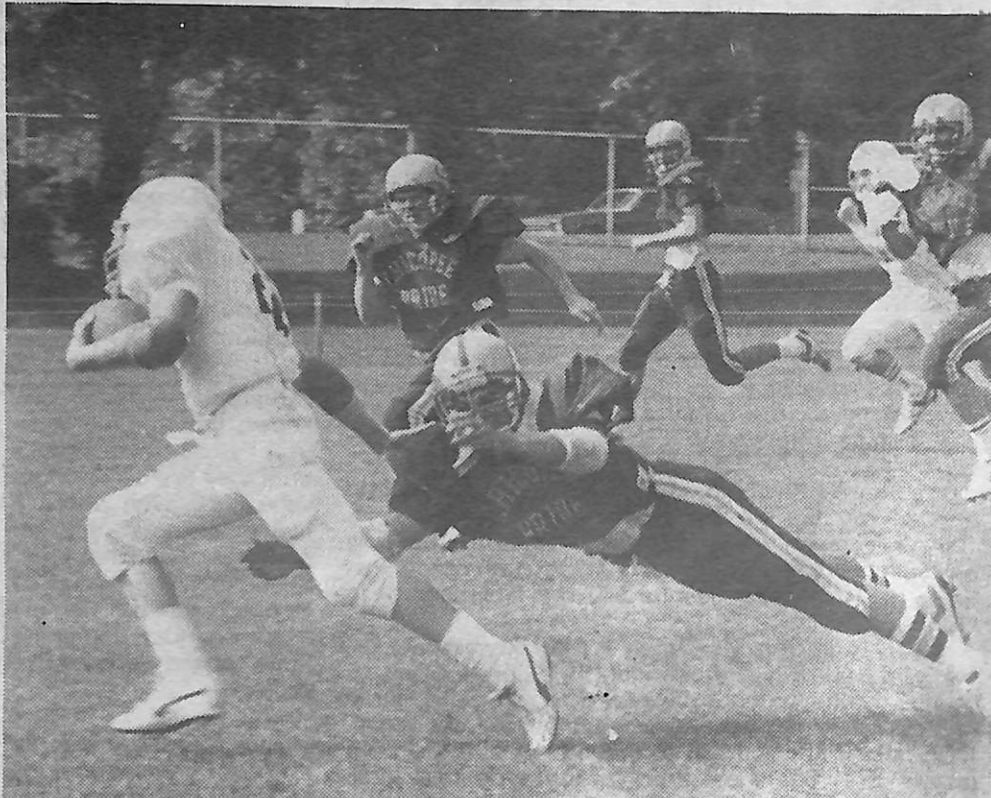


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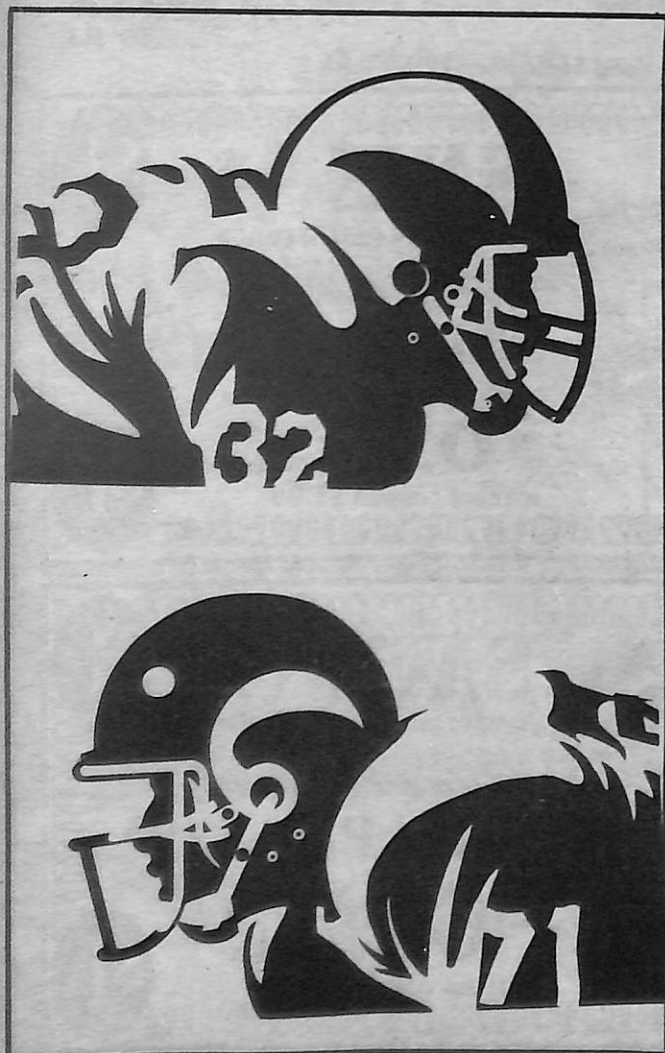
Offense Of Serra & Wooley Keys Hopes Of Brownies' Challenge In 1988 AA Conference Race



IN PHOTO UPPER LEFT, star quarterback John Serra (left) in action vs. Chicopee in a pre-season scrimmage for the Agawam High football Brownies. Serra helped lead the football Brownies to an 8-1-1 record in 1987 with his ability to target receivers and prowess kicking excellent points and field goals; in photo right, junior tailback Jason Wooley, who gained over 1,200 yards as a sophomore, eludes a Chicopee High tackler in a recent scrimmage. Wooley is considered one of the premier running backs in Western Mass. this year; in photo bottom left, senior class members are pictured. Front row - Jim Cichetti, Jay Votzakis, Rick DiLullo, Ben Blews, John Serra, Bill Moccio, Eric Burnett, and Tim Micheals. Back row - Dan Larouche, Steve Gamelli, Mike Latourelle, Mike Cleavall, George Corgan, John Depalma, Mike McNamee, Steve Lubarsky, and Dave Fleury.

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SPORTSMAN'S CORNER

by Bill Chiba

This should be a good bear season for both the dogmen and the stalking hunter in Massachusetts. A great many bear are being seen throughout Western Massachusetts.

Danny O'Neill of Feeding Hills called to tell about seeing a bear just pass the Massachusetts Turnpike overpass on Route 20 recently. It was sitting on its haunches on the side of the road. When Dan slowed down his vehicle to better view the bruin, it turned and fled east across the river.

The bow season opens October 1st in Connecticut. You may obtain a license at the Suffield Town Hall. If it is your first license, you must show evidence that you have attended a Bowhunting seminar or a license with a bow stamp attached to it. A New York license is acceptable.

Vermont's small game season opens September 24th and will run through December 31st.

New Hampshire's season on deer with the bow opens September 17th. In Vermont you can obtain just an archery license for deer for \$40, and it is the same in New Hampshire.

Massachusetts Claims A New Record

John Rogers, a professional turtle hunter from Maine, recently caught a world record snapping turtle in Massachusetts! According to the MDFW, the gigantic reptile weighed in at 67 pounds and had a shell length of 19.8 inches. With its foot-long tail, large head, and able neck included, it was well over three feet in length.

It was taken from an undisclosed impoundment in Northern Middlesex County. The turtle will go on display at the Bronx Zoo in New York for the winter, but Rogers plans to return it to the site of its capture next spring.

The former world record turtle, captured by a fisherman in Minnesota in 1986, weighed 65 1/4 pounds and had a shell length of 19.2 inches. Following exhibition at various fairs, that turtle was also returned to the wild.

Bear season in New Hampshire began September 1st, and biologists say this year should be an average one for hunters, meaning about 150-200 bears will be taken.

Before 1985, when the department received authority to manage the bears in New Hamp., biologists wondered what was happening with the state's black bears. Hunters were taking more younger bears than in the past. Combined with the knowledge that older female bears are better than young ones at raising cubs, the hunting data left bear watchers unsure if the population was declining.

Now, a two-year study that was part of the management plan has concluded the bears are healthy and slowly expanding their range. The study was carried on by two University of New Hampshire graduate students, Doug Kane and Kathleen Middleton.

Kane deduced that older female bears are out there, but hunters are seeing more young bears because of the growing population.

Biologists have long known that female bears usually don't reproduce until they are at least four years-old. Even then, a five or six year-old bear often loses her first litter. By the time they are eight or nine years-old, female bears are just beginning their prime productive years.

They found that people who hunt bears with dogs or use bait are more likely to kill a male, while hunters who stalk often shoot females.

In 1986, the study showed 31 percent of the bears killed were taken by still hunters, 23 percent by stalkers, 24 percent by bait hunters, and 22 percent with the aid of dogs.



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Riverside Speedway Ends Point Season

From his 11th starting spot, Dan Avery took over the lead from early leader Mark Forino on the last big point race at Riverside Speedway.

For awhile in the event it looked like a rookie was going to win the final point race of the season. Rick Summers led until Forino took the lead, then it was Avery through several cautions.

Avery never was any smoother than he was by holding-off challenges from Stan Greger, Bruce D'Alessandro, John Zavisa, and Brian Schofield.

Late in the feature, Fran Colson in a lap car lost an engine in turn one. Leader Avery was able to sneak past, but second place D'Alessandro tangled in the oil with Schofield and Joe Rzeszutek. Schofield and D'Alessandro were able to return. As the green came back out, Charlie Pasteryak also had an engine failure. Through all of this, Avery still drove a flawless race to the checker.

As Avery crossed the line for the \$1,200 victory, D'Alessandro tangled with Rick Summers, who was then the second place car. The field crossed the checker with Avery first, Agawam's Marty Radewick in second, Jerry Marquis was third, D'Alessandro was fourth, and Rick Summers was fifth.

Sixth to 10th were Joe Rzeszutek, Eric LeClair, John Cote, Brian Schofield, and Nels Lindsted. The victory was Avery's first of the season. "It has been a tough year. This win is only because my crew and team just

didn't give up. This win is for them. They deserve it. Special thanks go out to my sponsors—Ladola, Skyline-Foster, and Ramsey," said Avery.

Jerry Marquis secured his seventh win of the season to dominate the Pro Stock action in the 30-lap feature worth \$600. Following Marquis to the checker was point-leader Tom Rosati of Agawam. Tony Membrino finished a strong third. Fourth was Dave Crouse and fifth was Brian Crunden.

Ted Hebert led the first half of the feature before he was tagged by Wayne Carroll. The restart then created a battle from sixth to 10th—Chris Kopec, R.J. Beckman, Fran Forino, Tony Papale, and Blaine Belz.

Mike Duquette won his third Street feature of the season in the Riverdale Chrysler Monte Carlo. Second went to Bob Skinger. Third was Roger Charrette. Fourth was Jim Roule and fifth was Roy Scott Hanks.

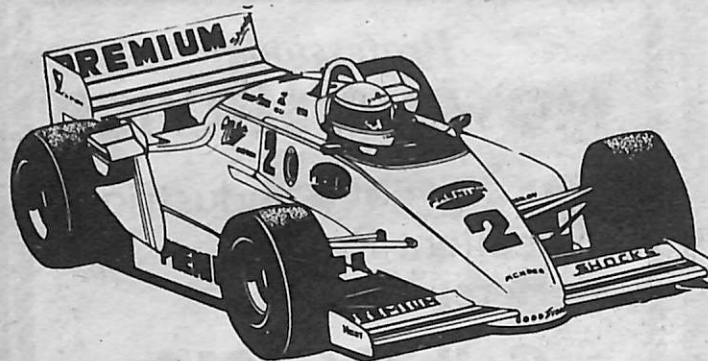
Sixth to 10th went to Art Carusso, Ted Chalmers, Tom Fearn, Gee Perry, and Tom Carey, Jr. Duquette gave credit to Bill Pelly, Matt Powers, and Riverdale Chrysler Plymouth.

This was the last point event of the season as Reggie Ruggiero was the track Champion in the Modifieds.

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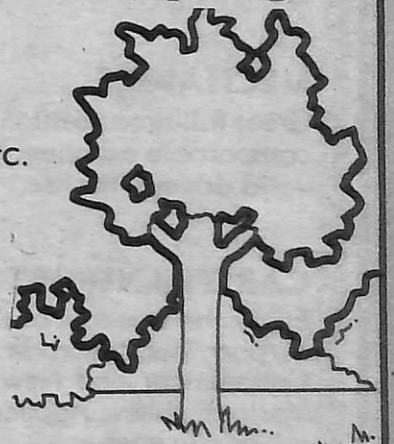
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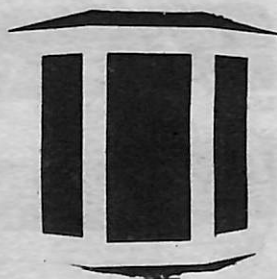
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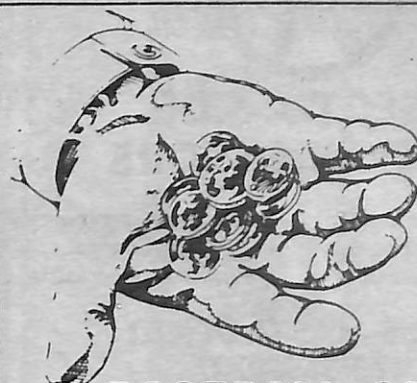
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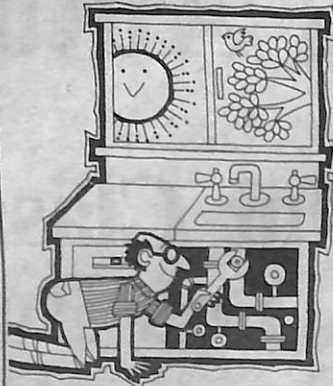
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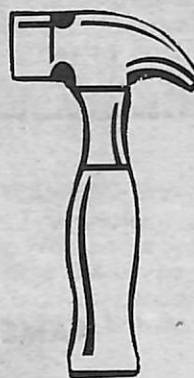
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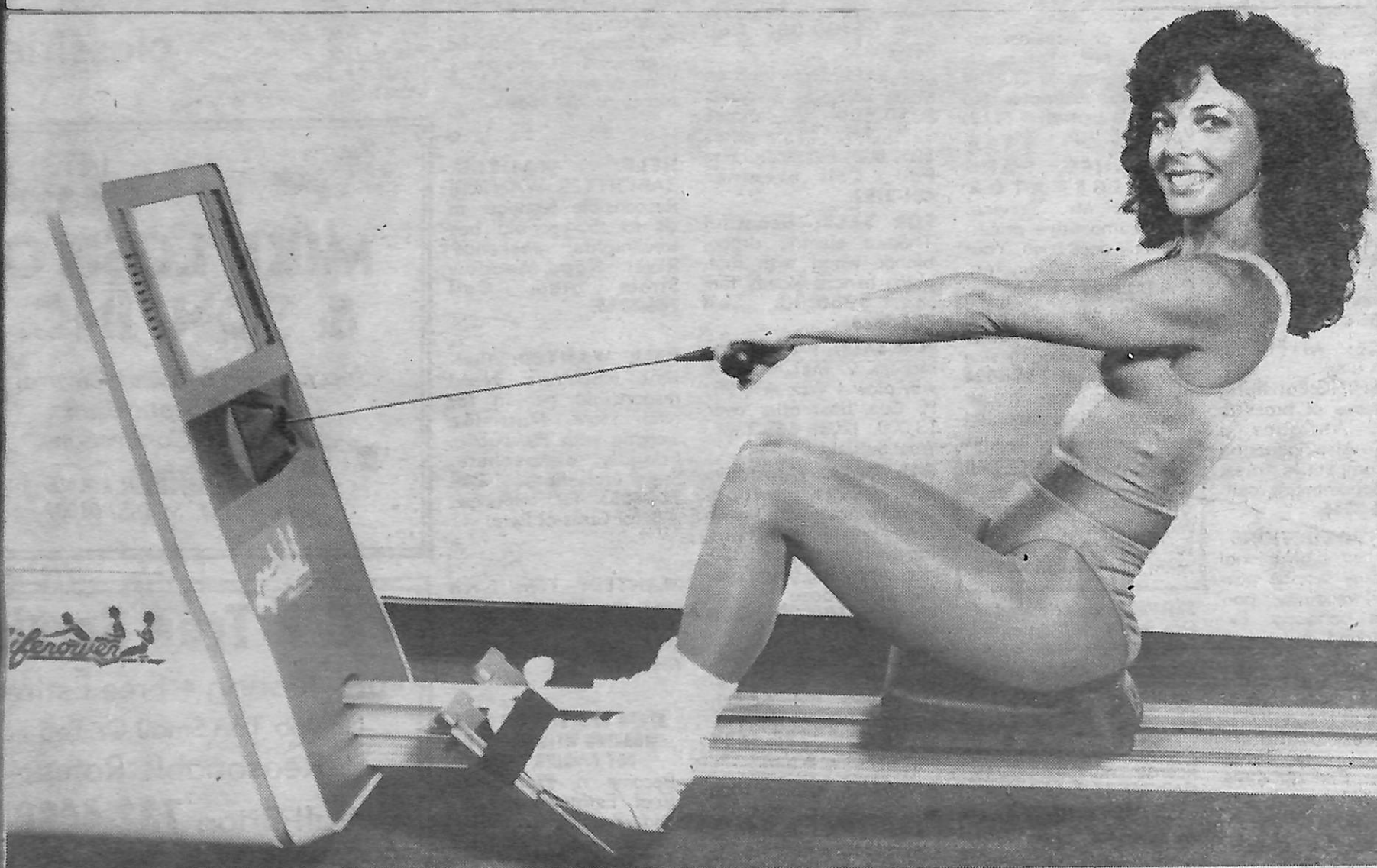
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